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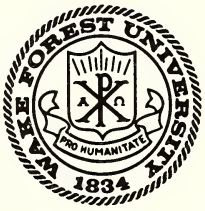

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The next Session meets with Maiden Church, Catawba County, N. C., on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1912, at 11 o'clock A. M.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

MODERATOR - - - - Osborne Brown, Long Island, N. C.
VICE-MODERATOR - - - - J. D. Elliott, Hickory, N. C.
CLERK - - - - - - J. F. Click, Hickory, N. C.
TREASURER - - - - - W. C. Mullen, Lincolton, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thos. J. Ramseur
R. S. Lewis
J. D. Harte
J. Yates Killian
J. J. Beach
H. B. Moore
J. D. Elliott

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W. B. McClure, Alexis, N. C.
W. C. Barrett, Gastonia, N. C.
J. J. Beach. " "
C. M. Robinson, " "
J. D. Moose. " "
R. D. Carroll, Newton, N. C.
J. D. Harte, Hickory, N. C.
C. M. Ervin " "
J. W. Griffin, " "
W. N. Cook " "
W. R. Bradshaw, " "
C. A. Caldwell, Henry, N. C.
J. A. Hoyle, Maiden, N. C.
A. W. Setzer " "
C. E. Beaver, " "
G. P. Abernethy " "
H. B. Chronister " "
S. W. Bennett, Lincolnton, N. C.
P. W. Bangle, " "
D. E. Vipperman, Mt. Holly, N. C.
I. M. Hilderbrand, Hilderbrand, N. C.
A. P. Bumgardner, McAdenville, N.C.
J. M. Ballard, Iron Station, N. C.
L. A. Bangle, Cherryville, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL SECTIONS

First—Belmont, Dallas, Gastonia, East Gastonia, Loray, McAdenville, Maysworth, Lowell, Mt. Holly, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Bruington, Long Creek, Sandy Plains, High Shoals, Tuckaseege.

Second—Lincolnton, Lincolnton Avenue, Sharon, Salem, Mt. Zion, Kid's Chapel, Mt. View, Macedonia, Mt. Ruhama, Webb's Chapel, River View, Long Shoals, Bethel. Leonard's Fork, Alexis, Lucia, Faith, Lawing's Chapel.

Third—Hickory, Corinth, Newton, Maiden, Cedar Grove, Piney Grove, Catawba, Olivet, Providence I., Providence II., Thessalonica, Reepsville, Mt. Grove, Penelope, Startown, Warlick's Chapel, Amity, Beulah, West Hickory, Brookford.

The Association is not to meet in the same section two years in succession.

PROCEEDINGS

The South Fork Baptist Association met in its thirty-third annual session with Long Creek Church, Gaston county, at eleven o'clock, Thursday, October 19th, 1911.

The Association was called to order by Osborne Brown, Moderator of last session, and prayer was offered by I. T. Newton.

The introductory sermon was preached by R. D. Carroll. Text, Matthew 24-30:

The Association adjounrned until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

On reassembling the Association was led in prayer by J. A. Hoyle.

The roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled as follows:

Alexis—C. A. Lineberger, A. V. Senter.
Amity—Walter McAlister, Joe Lawing, Belvis Bolinger.
Belmont—J. P. Stowe, M. W. Sanford, W.H. Dixon, J. A. Leeper.
Beulah—C. L. Blackwood.
Bethel—W. C. Mullen.
Brookford—C. P. Edwards.
Bruington—S. A. Stroup, H. M. Wallace.
Cedar Grove—William Hudson, H. L. Bost.
Corinth—R. W. Abernethy.
Catawba—H. A. Witherspoon.
Dallas—A. A. High, Clarence Rhyne, Mrs. F. M. Robinson, G. L. Long.
East Gastonia—W. L. Walters, M. L. Saunders, J. D. Howe, I. E. Spargo, A. A. Wagstaff.
Faith—J. M. Ballard, J. R. Helderman, Baxter Jones.
Gastonia—J. D. Smith, David P. Dellinger, H. B. Moore.
Hebron—Not represented.
Hickory First—J. D. Elliott, J. D. Harte, Geo. Fox, Otis B. Moody, J. *F.* Click, W. R. Bradshaw.
Hickory Grove—J. T. Smith, W. T. Rankin, L. A. Lineberger, J. E. Etters, J. W, Rankin.
High Shoals -J. E. Chronister, G. M. Hanes, P. E. Ballard, James Stafford.
Kids Chapel—A. W. Setzer.
Leonards Fork—T. F. Cornwell.
Lincolnton Avenue—Robert Lippard, Forney Link, Horace Mullis.
Lincolnton First—L. Vaughn Padgett, S. W. Bennett.
Long Creek—W. L. Davis, W. L. Smith, W. C. Huffman, T. S. Summey, Joe Holland.
Long Shoals—Not represented.
Lowell—I. T. Newton, W. T. Penington, W. F. Huggins, John A. Funderburk.

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Lucia—Not represented.
Loray—J. J. Waldrop, Jesse Crow, C. M. Robinson, S. L. Smith, E. C. Fisher, E. S. Hull.
Lawing's Chapel—Arthur Keener, C. E. Beaver, Arthur Shaw, G. C. Taylor, Geo. W. Huitt.
Macedonia—J. P. Link, J, S. Goodson.
Maiden—J. A. Hoyle, A. E. Teague, Isaac Williams, H. B. Chronister.
Maysworth—C. M. Ervin.
McAdensville—J. D. Moose, K. E. Simmers, J. A. Austin, J. L. Webb.
Mt. Grove—J. B. Rockett, J. Carroll Abernethy, Calvin Baker.
Mt. Ruhama—M. C. Laney, W. M. Caldwell, P. H. Cline, O. O. Abernethy, Grover Huitt.
Mt. View—J. M. Lowe.
Mt. Holly—D. E. Vipperman, D. M. Bumgardner.
Mt. Zion—W. F. Helton, D. F. Clonniger, M. H. Nance, B. A. Nance, J. T. Hawkins, R. D. Carroll.
Olivet—Osborne Brown, P. R. Blackwood.
Piney Grove—W. F. Bridges.
Providence I—Not represented.
Providence II—W. F. Hoffman, Max Burns.
Penelope—I. M. Hilderbran.
Reepsville—Pink Reinhardt.
River View—W. H. Caldwell, P. K. Bumgardner.
Sandy Plains—J. H. Hoffman, Robert Motèn, J. E. C. Ford, S. E. Beaty.
Salem—W. B. Hooper, J. B. Harrell.
Startown—J. Yates Killian.
Sharon—Lester F. Abernethy, Mark Dellinger, John Lynch.
Spencer Mountain—John Flowers, Will Day, J. F. Lowe.
Thessalonica—W. P. Rhoney.
Tuckaseege—W. W. McAlister, F. T. Hovis, Geo. L. Mullis.
Warlick's Chapel—A. J. Cook.
West Hickory—D. B. Taylor, M. L. Christhopher.
Webb's Chapel—J. P. Felmet.

The Association elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Moderator, Osborne Brown; Vice-Moderator, J. D. Elliott; Clerk, J. F. Click; Treasurer, W. C. Mullen.

The Moderator recognized the following visiting brethren and and welcomed them to seats in the body: Rev. W. N. Cook, of Caldwell Association, Rev. G W. Rollins, of King's Mountain Association, Rev. V. M. Swaim, of Pilot Mountain Association, Revs. G. C. and E. S. Ivery, of South Yadkin Association, W. R. Beach, representative of the Bibical Recorder.

A letter was received from Tuckaseege Baptist Church asking for membership. The following committee was appointed to examine the Covenant and Articles of faith of said church and report on same: I. T. Newton, D. E. Vipperman, C. M. Ervin and C. M. Robinson.

J. D. Harte makes a motion that the reading of the letters

from the churches be dispensed with. The motion was seconded, and discussed pro and con by J. D. Harte, J. J. Beach and others. D. P. Dellinger makes a substitute motion that we proceed at once to the reading of the letters.

The substitute carried, and the Moderator appointed J. J. Beach and D. P. Dellinger reading clerks, and the letters were read.

The Moderator appoints the following committees:
Order of Business—J. D. Harte, J. A. Hoyle, R. D. Carroll.
Obituaries—J. Yates Killian.
Sunday Schools—J. D. Moose.

J. D. Harte for committee reads the following report on

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FRIDAY, A. M.

9.30—Devotional Services.
9.50—Miscellaneous Business.
10.5—Bibical Recorder.
10.20—Associational Work.
10.50—Home Missions.
11.30—South Fork Institute.
12.15—Adjourn for dinner.

FRIDAY P. M.

2.00—Foreign Missions and Woman's Work.
3.00—Minister's Relief Board.
3.30—Obituaries.
8.00—Sunday Schools.

SATURDAY A. M.

9.30—Devotional Services.
9.50—Miscellaneous Business.
10.5—Report on Education.
10.35—State Missions.
12.15—Adjourn for dinner.

SATURDAY P. M.

2.00—Orphnage.
3.00—Miscellaneous Business.

The report was adopted.

The committee on the letter of Tuckaseege Church made the following report:

We, your Committee, having examined the Articles of Faith and Church Covenant of Tuckaseege Baptist Church, find the church to be Orthodox and recommend the acceptance of said church into the South Fork Association.

I. T. Newton
D. E. Vipperman
C. M. Irwin
C. M. Robinson
Committee.

Report adopted.

The delegates of Tuckaseege Church came forward and received the right hand of fellowship.

Pastor announces preaching at 8 P. M. by Rev. I. T. Newton.

On motion of J. A. Hoyle the Association adjourned unti 9.30 tomorrow. Prayer by C. M. Robinson.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY A. M.

Devotional services led by W. N. Cook.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, corrected and approved.

The following churches, Bethel, Gastonia and Lincolnton Avenue, handed in their church letters which were read and their delegates enrolled.

On motion, J. D. Elliott was elected from this Association a member of the State Mission Board.

On motion, the following were elected members of the Executive Committee: T. J. Ramseur and J. D. Elliott, to succeed themselves, and J. Yates Killian to succeed E. A. Whisnant, who has removed from the Association.

J. A. Hoyle reads the report on

THE BIBICAL RECORDER

This is an age when homes cannot be too well guarded against mischievous literature, for the market is flooded with all kinds of immoral journals and pernicious books of all sorts. This corrupting literature with its obscene pictures and flaming headlines is in abundance, and can be obtained at almost every book store and news-stand, or purchashed from news boys that peddle such trash on the streets of our cities, towns, villages and trains, and the country districts are receiving them through the mails almost daily.

The Biblical Recorder is now in its seventy-seventh year, and continues to improve with its age.

Some reasons why our people should take and read the Recorder:

It is a newspaper whose specialty is the news of the Kingdom to which they belong.

It it strictly a religious paper. Its aim, true to its name, is to be thoroughly Biblical.

Unless our people read the Recorder they cannot know the glorious strength and achievements of the company to which they belong. Therefore, we feel that the Biblical Recorder has a a claim upon every Baptist family in the bounds of the South Fork Association.

Respectfully,

J. A. Hoyle.

By motion Associational Missions was transferred to the Report on State Missions, and the time aloted to it for this hour was given to Rev. W. R. Beach, representative of the Biblical Re-

corder. After his speech, the report was adopted.

The Moderator appoints the committee on Place and Preacher as follows: J. D. Harte, W. F. Huggins and A. R. Holland.

R. D. Carroll read the following:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

A brief reference to the work of our Home Board shows that more than 5,000 churches have been established wholly, or in part, by the labor of its missionaries; and that nearly 400,000 members have been received into our churches. More than 52,000 were received last year, and more than 25,000 of these were by baptism.

The Home Board is doing a work that no single State in our Southern Convention can do; and a work that can not be done by any other agency than that our people are now using.

Its place in our denominational life is unique, and tremendously important. A part of its work is to give the gospel to the Foreigners who are flocking to our shores and crowding our cities. If we do not evangelize them, they will Paganize and Romanize us. The Board could use $200,000 annually, working among these people alone; and every year a larger number of them come into our midst.

The evangelization of the great South West is largely committed to our board. Every missionary working under the direction of this Board, and every dollar expended by it, could be turned loose West of the Mississippi river, and still there would be places unoccupied that ought to have Baptist preachers.

Then, there is our work among the negroes. These people are Baptist by untold instinct. One out of every four colored people in the land is a Baptist. If they had been left alone with the open Bible they would all be Baptists.

We have too, our educational work in the mountain schools. From these rugged people and through these schools will come many of our leaders and best preachers for the home and foreign fields. This is the day of our opportunity in the mountains.

We need to double our force in Panama. A tremendous opening is being presented to us there. It will be the mouth and throat of the South, and our whole Southern country will be greatly affected by the people who come through the Canal.

There has been no more potent factor in the up-lift of Cuba than the work of the Home Mission Board. The cause there needs more men to supplement the workers who are already on the field.

Our work has spread out to the Isle of Pines. It is seen, therefore, that the needs of the Board are great.

The Board is working this year on a basis of $400,000, and of this amount North Carolina is asked to raised $26,000. This Association ought to raise $1,500 for home missions. This would not be but little more than a half a cent each for the Baptist in our territory.

Our people need information. This can be had through the "Home Field," which can be had, in clubs of ten, for 25 cents a year. Tracts, also, can be had free by any one who will write to the Home Board asking for them.

Let pastors inform themselves, and preach to their people once, or twice, a year on Home Missions, and urge their people to rally to the support of the Home Board. Then take, in a systematic way, a good liberal collection for this work.

R. D. Carroll.

After discussion by R. D. Carroll and J. J. Beach the report was adopted.

S. J. Honeycutt submits his report on

SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE

At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees last May, I was elected Principal of your school. By the resignation of Rev. O. L. Stringfield the office of General Manager was abolished. Mrs. Honeycutt was elected Lady Principal.

I spent nearly all of the summer vacation in the field cannvassing for the school. A month ago I went to the Caldwell Association with the intention of securing the adoption of South Fork Institute by that Association. But owing to complications arising on account of school property owned by that Association, Rev. J. A. Hoyle, for the Board of Trustees and myself in consultation with the moderator of the Association decided to ask the Association to endorse and recommend South Fork Institute to the Baptists of the Caldwell Association. This the body did cheerfully.

I attended the Catawba River Association two weeks ago and made my report to that organization which was received enthusiastically.

Three new teachers were selected during the summer to fill three vacancies, as follows:

Rev. G. C. Epps, a graduate of Teurman University, Greenville, S. C., to teach English, History and Bible. He is an excellent instructor, a christian gentleman of the highest type. He has already won the love and esteem of the student body, and is wielding a most helpful influence, especially, over the young men in the dormitory. His classes in "The Sunday School Normal" and "Doctrines of Our Faith" number 20.

Miss Margaret A. Faucette, of Raleigh, N. C., a graduate in voice and piano of Meredith, past-graduate of the same institution, a student in Europe during the summer, has charge of the Music Department. The music class is larger and better than it has ever been.

The Primary and Intermediate Department is considerably improved under the management of Mrs. Lillian Tilley, a practical teacher of several years experience. Mrs. Tilley comes to us from the Catawba River Association and is doing great credit to our new friends and patrons from that territory.

The Boarding patronage is larger than it has ever been, there being more boys and girls in the Dormitories now than we have ever had at any one time. Notwithstanding that most of the things we eat have gone up from 10 per cent to 40 per cent, the first month of school we had a slight margin to help cover the cost of wood during the winter months.

The increased enrollment is encouraging, though the increase is not as large as I had first expected owing to the crop conditions

brought on by the drouth. The greatest improvement is in the general department of the student body. A finer and more obedient set of students have never attended South Fork Institute. Seven young men are studying for the ministry.

I have secured the following subscription to the Building and Loan Stock to be used in repairs, furnishings, etc: Maiden Church $13 00; individuals, $13.00; Lawing's Chapel, $13.00; Olivet, $10,00; Alexis, $8.40; Mount Ruhama, $5.20.

Every room in the girls' dormitory, and the dining room and kitchen were thoroughly fumigated and calcimined before school opened. All the buildings and grounds have been made more sanitary. New mattresses have been provided for the girls' dormitory. Nice rockers and rugs have been purchased for the girls' parlor. Other furnishings have been added to the kitchen and dining room and a few articles to the living rooms. It has been necessary to dig both wells deeper to get a supply of water. And the well at the boys dormitory will have to be dug deeper yet. Wood fibre has been purchased to work over the halls of the school building, the music room, and a room for the Library.

The Literary Societies have been hampered ever since I became Principal of the school because they have no room equipped for their work. I bring to you from them an urgent petition that you give them a purse of $50. for the purpose of providing a hall for them to meet in.

By the terms of the new charter of the school the association at this meeting must nominate six men of the membership of the Association for Trustees, and from these six men so nominated the Trustees at their annual meeting in May. Must elect two Trustees to fill the vacancies of two members expiring with the meeting in May.

Respectfully Submitted

S. J. Honeycutt, Principal,
South Fork Institute,
Maiden, N. C.

Oct. 1911.

Before the discussion of the report, J. D. Harte, by motion, recommends the names of the following brethern to the Association from which to select two members for the board of trustees of South Fork Institute: J. A. Hoyle, J. J. Beach, W. C. Barrett, Osborne Brown, T. J. Ramsuer and R. L. Sigmon. The motion carried.

The report on Institute was discussed by S. J. Hoyneycutt, J. D. Harte, G. P. Abernethy, Otis Moody, C. A. Lineberger an others.

During the discussion, by suggestion of J. J. Beach, the speeches were sandwitched by cash and pledges for the amount of $50.00, asked for to provide a suitable hall for the Literary Societies of South Fork Institute.

The Churches, Sunday Schools, Baraca Classes and individuals responed liberally with the following results: Cash $52.25, pledges $47.75, total $100.00.

The report was adopted.

After singing "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," the Association adjourned one hour for dinner with prayer by W. R. Beach.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY P. M.

After a song, D. E. Vipperman led the Association in prayer.

J. D. Elliott offers the following report on

PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Committee on Place and Preacher begs leave to make the following report:

Place---Maiden, N. C.
Preacher---I. T. Newton.
Alternate---J. J. Beach.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. Elliott
W. F. Huggins
A. R. Holland
Committee.

J. D. Elliott introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the word "after" in the Constitution, section eight, line three, be erased and the word "before" be inserted therein.

Resolution adopted.

R. D. Carroll makes a motion to change the number of the Executive Committee from five to seven, and so change the constitution and elect J. D. Harte and J. J. Beach as the two new members.

The motion was seconed and carried.

C. M. Robinson asked permission to make a statement relative to Union Meetings. He suggested that the Association could be divided so as to have two union meetings instead of one.

J. J. Beach moves that a committee of three be appointed to consider and report on the question of reviving the Union Meetings.

Without discussion the motion carried, and the Moderator appointed on that committee C. M. Robinson, J. A. Hoyle and S. W. Bennett.

By motion the Moderator appointed the following delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions:

For State---J. D. Elliott, J. A. Hoyle, R. D. Carroll.
For Southern Baptist Convention---J. D. Harte.

The letters of Faith, Maysworth and Webb's Chapel Churches were handed in, read and the delegates enrolled.

The reports on Foreign Missions and Woman's Work were considered jointly. S. J. Honeycutt read the report on Foreign Missions and S. W. Bennett on Woman's Work; as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our Lord's last words were in the form of a command to his deciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." This command is more binding upon the churches today than it was upon the apostles when spoken by our master.

Without Christ the world is lost. When we fully realize this great fundamental truth, as plainly taught in the Bible, we will rise to the full measure of our duty. Our pastors ought to preach oftener on the lost condition of the world. There are millions of people today who have never heard of Christ. Let us remember that only those who hear the word and believe it can be saved, and then realize what a great privilege as well as a great duty we have of giving the world the word of life.

The work to be done is stupendous. In round numbers there are in the world today not less than 1,200,000,000 people who are generally recognized as in need of positive evangelical instruction. Among this number there are about 17,000 missionaries from all Christian countries, including ordained and unordained men, wives, and single women. This means upon an average one missionary to every 17,600 people, or one ordinary missionary to every 218,000 people.

Let us as a Baptist people realize the greatness of our opportunity in evangelizing this 1,200,000.000 souls, and as an association pray more and give more for this great cause of Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
S. J. Honeycutt.

WOMAN'S WORK

From the beginning of the new dispensation, the women have always been in the fore-front of every good work. They are always ready to respond to the call of our common Lord.

Woman's work includes, not only the work they do locally in behalf of the different forms of missionary activity, but in the work of the Church they hold up the Pastors hands. The woman's work in our State has made gatifying progress year after year. Last year they paid in all $27,003.29.

In our own Association much has been accomplished by our consecrated women. They have ten W. M. U's., four Y. W. A's. and eight Sun Beams, and all of these organizations did a fine year's work. They gave last year $782.82. We feel that the holding of separate Associational Meetings where they have ample time for the discussion of the different problems which confront them has proven to be wise and beneficial. We culled from their report that they have directed their energies alorg the usual lines of activity, with an increase of enthusiasm and wisdom. But when it is remembered that we have fifty-four churches we can but feel that the forty-four churches that do not have their women organized are missing an opportunity to further the

Kingdom of God at home and abroad. The churches that are doing the most today are the ones which have their Woman's Mission Union, Y. W. A's. and Sun Beams well organized.

If the few women who are organized in our Association are doing so much, what could be accomplished with the 3,018 if they were all at work?

Herein is a loud call to all our Pastors to urge, when practical, our women to undertake this glorious work of giving the Gospel to the world.

The problem of problems before the Christians today is who shall have this world, and the Pastor who does not organize his forces is losing an oyportunity to solve this problem in the favor of God.

G. C. Epps led in an earnest speech on Foreign Mlssions. He was followed by S. W. Bennett who made the speech of his life on Woman's Work.

Then J. D. Harte and W. R. Bradshaw discussed, especially, Foreign Missions, emphasizing the great truth that what God needs in saving the world, was not money, but first of all consecrated men and women. And God blessed the words spoken: and such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit has never been witnessed since the organization of the Association. The discussion resolved itself into a prayer and praise service, led by J. J. Beach and others, in which men and women, old and young, were made to rejoice. Young ministerial students and two young ladies came forward and expressed a willingness to enter the Foreign Mission work. An invitation was given to any out of Christ desiring to be prayed for to come forward. One young man came forward and was happily converted. Every person in the house was more or less effected. Like the first Baptist Association in Jerusalem, it was a glorious Pentecost.

The two reports were adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned till 7.30.

Prayer by R. D. Carroll.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY -NIGHT SESSION

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. A. Setzer.

Association was called to order by the Moderator. In absence of the Clerk, S. W. Bennett was made clerk protem.

The report on Sunday Schoolr was read by G. P. Abernethy.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Great progress has been made in recent years in Sunday School work. It is our opinion that Sunday School work ought to have a prominent place in our plans for the work of forming churches.

The pastors and Superintendents ought to continue thoroughly inform themselves along all lines of progress in Sunday School

work and thus, the work will be more efficient and successful. The efficiency of our Sunday Schools is due, largely, to the work done by our Sunday School Board. All the churches should maintain Sunday Schools the year round; and should have thourough representation in our Sunday School Convention or Sunday School Institute which should be re-established.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. D. Moose.

It was discussed by G. P. Abernethy, the Moderator, R. D. Carroll, C. A. Caldwell, C. M. Robinson, J. P. Felmet, J. A. Hoyle, S. W. Bennett, J. M. Ballard and A. E. Teague.

The report was adopted.

C. M. Robinson read the report on Reorganizing the Union Meetings.

UNION MEETING

We, your committee appointed to present in some form to this session of the Association the question of re-organizing the Union Meeting of South Fork Association, beg leave to recommend that we re-organize and that here and now, the time, place and preacher be settled upon, and also a programme committee be appointed to arrange and advertise a proper programme for same.

Respectfully Submitted

C. M. Robinson,
J. A. Hoyle, } Com.
S. W. Bennett.

The report was adopted.

By motion the Association adjourned till 9.30 tomorrow.

Prayer by W. R. Bradshaw.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY

MORNING SESSION

Devotional services were conducted by C. M. Robinson.

The Moderator calls the Association to order. Prayer by Dr. R. T. Vann.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, corrected and approved.

B. W. Rodgers, of the Thomasville Orphanage, Dr. R. T. Vann, President of Meredith College at Raleigh, Rev. Livingston Johnson, Secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board, and J. P. Felmet were recognized by the Moderator and welcomed to seats in the Body.

The Moderator appoints the following to write the various reports for next session:

Foreign's Missions—J. D. Harte.
State Missions—S. W. Bennett.

State of Churches—J. J. Beach.
General Education—W. C. Barrett.
Woman's Work -R. D. Carroll.
The Orphanage—C. M. Staley.
Aged Ministers Relief—S. T. Gaddy.
Sunday Schools—D. E. Vipperman.
Biblical Recorder—A. W. Setzer.
Obituaries—J. M. Ballard.

R. D. Carroll introduces and moves the adoption of the following resolutions: That S. W. Bennett, J. D. Harte and J. J. Beach be elected to prepare an Order of Business for the next session of the Association.

The motion to adopt was seconded and carried.

W. C. Mullen Submits the following:

TREASURER'S REPORT

To balance on hand	$71.16
To Collections since last report	134.64
To amount from Finance Committee	727.46
Total	$933 26
By am't, paid out since last report	$919.48
To balance on hand	$13.78

Respectfully Submitted
W. C. Mullen, Treas.

The above report has been audited by us, and we find it correct.

J. O. Allen,
R. L. Sigmon. } Auditing Com.

This Oct. 16th 1911.

By motion, the report is adopted.

J. A. Hoyle reads the following:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Bro. A. A. Killian, of Hickory Church, laid down Life's battles on August 10th, 1911 at the age of about 75 years. Brother Killian was not only a brave soldier in the Civil War, but a faithful, brave soldier in the battles of life against the enemy of souls. His faith and confidence in God, gave him a great victory in his last struggle.

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Sister A. J. Christopher entered that rest which remaineth to the people of God, on July 4th., 1911, and her remains were laid to rest in the Newton cemetery. Sister Christopher was a member of Newton Baptist church at the time of her death. She was a faithful member and a true christian. She leaves a husband and daughter and a host of friends to mourn her departure. She is resting from her labors and her works do follow her.

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Brother Laban L. Senter was born Oct. 18th 1858, and died the

4th. day of August 1911. He professed faith in Christ and joined the Baptist church 35 years before his death, living an upright, consecrated life until God called him to his reward above.

Brother Senter for years, was a deacon of Mt. Zion church. Mt. Zion, this last year, has also lost three other members in the persons of Sisters Hester, Carpenter and Long, who happily passed over to the Heaven of Rest.

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Brother Anderson Davis was born in Caldwell County, seventy-four years ago last New Years Day, and departed this life Oct. 18th, 1911. His body was buried in the cemetary at Long Creek Church, Oct. 19th; at 2 P. M. Funeral services conducted by his pastor, J. J. Beach.

Brother Davis professed faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized by Rev. J. A. Hoyle into the fellowship at Macedonia Baptist Church in Lincoln County, 29 years ago last Sept. and lived a consistant Christian life until death.

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Sister Mary B. Edwards was born in 1857, and was converted and joined the church at the age of ten years.

While living in New York she helped start a B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S. While in Colorada she was an active member of the church. She sent over $300. toward the erection of the beautiful little church building at Brookford, N. C.

Then she came back to Brookford and worked actively in the church until her early death which occurred December 25th., 1910.

This was a very great loss to the church, but a greater blessing to her.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Yates Killian,
J. A. Hoyle

The report was adopted.

W. R. Bradshaw, for J. D. Harte submits the report on.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The Baptist State Convention was organized eighty years ago in the town of Greenville. At its first session, a Board of missions was appointed to look after the evangelization of the state.

The Baptists in the state then numbered, 15000 white and colored. They then had 500 churches, no denominational papers, no colleges or schools. We now have 225,000 white Baptists, and 175,000 colored Baptists. We have 1918 churches, colleges the equal of any in the state, and 14 high schools that are doing a great work in preparing our young people for our colleges and training hundreds of others who will never have the benefit of a college education, but who will, nevertheless, make efficient workers in the kingdom of our Lord.

We mention these achievements with profound gratitude to God for all His blessings. Still, we have a great work yet to do.

In Eastern North Carolina there are 20 counties with a population of 200,000 whites and 175,000 colored, with an average of only one Baptist church to 80 square miles. Surely such a condition as this calls for aggressive work on the part of our Baptist people.

In Piedmont North Carolina, two conditions confront us.

First, to seize the mill centers where hundreds and thousands of people are flocking, and Second, to hold the country churches that are weakened by this exodus to the mills.

The West is largely evangelized, and only a few sections today are destitute of Baptist influences and churches.

These churches in the West are for the most part undeveloped.

Hence, the task there is to make the weak churches strong and the dormant churches efficient ones.

The money expended in State Mission work means more for the Master's kingdom than ever before, both at home and in the uttermost parts of the earth.

We recommend, therefore,

1. That our pastors be requested to continue the matter of mission rallies in all of the churches.
2. That each church be requested to press the work of state missions for three months of its calander year.
3. That we heartily approve the action of the last Baptist Convention in instructing the State Mission Board to project its work on the basis of a 25 per cent increase over the amount raised last year.
4. That earnest prayer be made to God continually for His blessings upon the Board, upon our beloved Secretaries, and upon all the faithful men who labor in the hard places under the direction of the Board.

An amendment—That this Association recommends to the Pastors and churches in the South Fork Association to increase their contributions at least 25 per cent this year to State Missions.

Respectfully Submitted, J. D. Harte

The report was discussed in an able and instructive address by Rev. Livingston Johnson.

Pending the adoption of the report, J. J. Beach offers an amendment to the report, which, was accepted, and the report adopted. (See last paragraph of the report.)

D. E. Vipperman submits the

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The educational privileges of the hour have not been surpassed I know during the time of Pericles, like Aldeberan, intellectualism shone forth, but their intellectualism surpassed their moralism. Christ wrestled, in his day, to get the boy and girl out from under the channel of mere Judaism and from the fetters of the law, ritual and ceremony. We wrestle, to-day, to get the boy and girl out from mere schools, in name into a larger realm of truth.

Christian culture is the very foundation of our missionary effort. Next to winning a soul to Christ is winning a soul to christian education.

There are two kinds of schools, generally speaking, secular and denominational. These schools teach the very same books, as there is no Baptist grammar, Presbyterian chemistry nor Methodist arithmetic, but our denominational schools in addition to these seek to make the student acquainted with God, giving him religious opportunties and christian advantages equal to his technical knowlege; realizing life more than mere attainment or profession.

Some contributions of our denominational schools 75 per cent

of our statesmen, lawyers physicians, teachers and preachers are graduates or students of our schools 65 per cent of our leading business men are graduates or students of our schools, 75 per cent of the ministers of all evangelical denominations to-day are schooled in a Baptist school or in a private school under Baptist influence.

The highs chool graduate has 87 chances over his less fortunate, the university graduate has 800 chances over him, But your committee insists upon denominational education, chiefly for the following reasons.

First—The moral sense is strongly predominant over culture and makes one do something for man and be something for God.

Second—Because it takes more than mere training to bring us up to what we ought to be. Any system of education is incomplete that fails to work on man from the standpoint of Jesus Christ.

Third—Our civilization depends upon it as well as our homes and churches.

Fourth—Our church covenant, we agree to religiously educate our children, and failure to do this, means a divine vow broken.

Fifth—Christ's own example. He never commissioned anybody, out side of His own churches to teach.

As I think of Wallburg, Wingate, Buies Creek, Dellway, Mt. Vernon Springs, Bumsville Winterville Clyde, Mars Hill and South Fork Institute, and others, as our associational schools, Wake Forest and Meredith as our colleges, and that for which they stand, I can look at the past and say, like Lowell and his friend said of Germany and Itally, glories of the past I salute you and looking into the future can say with thrilllng heart, greater glories of the future I salute you. Respectfully Submitted,

D. E. Vipperman.

By motion Dr. R. T. Vann was given unlimited time to discuss the report. His was a pointed, able and timely speech and edifying.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the Association adjourned till 2 o'clock for dinner.

Prayer by C. E. Beaver.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY

EVENING SESSION

Prayer by W. B. Loving.

Moderator calls the Association to order. W. B. Loving, formally of the Eastern part of the State, but now of Gastonia, was welcomed to a seat in the Body.

J. A. Hoyle asked for a cash collection of $21. balance due on a note for South Fork Institute. His request was granted, the collection taken and the amount received.

The Treasurer and Assistant submit the

REPORT ON FINANCE

We, the undersigned beg to submit the following:

Minute fund	$48.55
State Missions	52.33
Associational Missions	59.00
Home Missions	48.87
Foreign Missions	70.74

Ministerial Relief	16.10
Orphanage	33.39
S. S. Missions	3.41
Ministerial Education	1.00
Poor	1.40
South Fork Institute	2.50
Total	$337.29

Respectfully Submitted

W C. Miller, Treas.
W. L. Walters, Assistant.

The report was adopted.

By motion the clerk was instructed to have minutes printed to the amount of $50. and that he be allowed $12. to superintend the printing.

By motion, the clerk was instructed to have the Minutes of the Woman Missionary Union printed in the minutes of the Association.

J. T. Newton makes the following motion: That the Association ask the pastors of this Association to bring before their respective churches before the end of the year, the needs of the Tuckaseege and Lincolnton Ave churches with regard to places of worship and secure help for the same.

The motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made, seconded and carried, that a Union meeting be held with the Loray church, begining on Friday before the 5th Sunday in December, and that C. M. Robinson be appointed a committee of one to get out a program for some.

J. A. Hoyle moves the adoption of the

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved, That this Association return its thanks to the pastor and members of Long Creek Church and the good people in the community for their hospitality and splendid entertainment during this session of our association. J. A. Hoyle.

The motion to adopt carried by a rising vote.

G. P. Abernethy reads the report on.

OLD MINISTERS RELIEF

The Lord has so ordained it that the world should be saved through the preaching of His Gospel. Many have gone forth at the call of their Master to preach the Gospel to every Creature. Now in their old days, many of them are without any means of support. It is our christian duty to see to it that these old soldiers of the Cross are cared for. Let every pastor see to it that his church contributes something for the support of the old preachers and their wives.

"In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me." Matthew 25: 40

Respectfully Submitted, C.A. Caldwell.

The report was adopted.

J. J. Beach reads the following.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE

There is no need to argue with Baptist people now that it is their duty to take care of orphan children, for they feel and know that already.

There is no need to argue with a North Carolina Baptist that he ought to love and support our own Baptist Orphnage at Thomasville, for every one worthy of the name dearly loves that institution, and is loyally aiding in its support.

If there ever was a time when this institution needed to play the role of beggar and plead for funds for financial support, that time has passed and the only thing that those who represent it need to do is to tell us what they are doing for our children under their care.

We have at Thomasville now, Three Hundred and Eighty-five children, and during the twenty-six years of its history more than Twelve Hundred have been protected under its sheltering arms.

The capacity is less than four hundred and it is always full and more applications than can be admitted all the time.

We have a splendid plant, consisting of four hundred and fifty acres of land, with one hundred and seventy-five in cultivation, where the boys are trained in manual labor. There are ten dormitories, with central dining hall, sewing room and school building, where nine grades are taught by efficient teachers. Important changes are being made this year which means better equipment.

Those who manage our orphanage have the confidence of the entire Brotherhood throughout the state, and nothing is left undone that would make for the training and comfort of the children.

One of the immediate and pressing needs of the institution is a chapel for a place to assemble for worship. We reccommend that our Sunday Schools take a collection one Sunday in each month for this object and supply themselves with enough copies of "Charity and Children" to give one to each home represented. Our people only need information and a chance to give and the orphanage will be well cared for.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. Beach.

The report was discussed by J. J. Beach and B. W. Rodgers. The report was adopted.

R. D. Carroll makes a motion that a hat collection be taken. The motion carried, and the amount received was $5.11.

The Moderator stated that if there be no further business, the clerk will read the minutes of the day. The minutes were read and approved.

J. A. Hoyle moves that the South Fork Association now adjourns to meet with Maiden Church on Thursday, before the 4th Sunday in Oct. 1912 at 11 o'clock, A. M. Motion carried, After the song—"How firm a foundation etc, and parting hand-shake and benediction by R. D. Carroll, the Moderator declared the Association adjourned.

J. F. Click, Clerk. Osborne Brown, Moderator.

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be known as the South Fork Association.

2. Its object shall be to educate men called of God to the ministry and approved by the church to which they belong; to support the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of workship; to encourage the study of the Bible in the Sunday Schools, and to cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. It shall be composed of delegates annually elected by their respective churches, each church entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty, provided no church have more than five. The pastors of the churches in the Association shall be recognized as delegates.

4. Its officers shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot.

5. There shall be an Executive Committee of seven persons, who shall have supervision of all business pertaining to the work of the Association. They shall be elected by the body in two groups, one to be elected each year and to serve two years.

6. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Association.

7. That any member of this Association attending any sister Association, shall be considered a delegate to the same.

8. This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in October, at 11 A. M. The Introductory sermon to be preached immediately before organization.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. The delegates shall be called each day previous to proceeding to business.

3. The hour for business shall be—Meet at 9:30 a. m., adjourn at pleasure unless otherwise ordered.

4. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, but may designate some one to take his place, if he wishes to vacate the chair.

5. The presiding officer shall enforce order in accordance with "Mell's Parliamentary Practice."

6. The Clerk shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Association, and superintend the printing of the minutes.

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTION (1881)

Resolved, First, we recommend that every church, for the good of the cause of Christianity, discountenance in its members the aiding in the manufacture, sale, or use of any kind of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and if after being admonished, they will not refrain, the church should expel them.

Resolved, Second, That we will as an Association, withdraw our fellowship from all such churches as will not observe the rules.

This resolution shall be read by the Clerk annually during the session of the Association. (1886).

CHURCHES	ADDITIONS BY				DIMINUTIONS BY				PRESENT NUMBER				
	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Total	Letter	Exclusion	Death	Total	Gain	Loss	Male	Female	Total
Alexis	4	8		12	9		1	10	2		44	41	85
Amity	0	2		2	1		1	2			25	35	60
Belmont	14	3		17	4			4	13		58	75	133
Beulah	5	8		13		1		1	12		15	25	36
Bethel	6	5		11	3		1	4	7		26	47	73
Brookford		6		6	8		2	10		4	40	57	97
Bruington	4	9		13	2	5		7	6		27	35	62
Cedar Grove	1			1					1		10	16	26
Corinth	5		1	6	4			4	2		51	73	124
Catawba	2			2					2		22	28	52
Dallas		10		10	35			35		25	53	64	117
East Gastonia	59	29		88	20	4	1	25	63		112	176	288
Faith	5			5	4			4	1		18	14	32
Gastonia First	18	39	1	58	39		2	41	17		124	188	312
Hebron *													
Hickory First	8	10	1	19	10		2	12	7		98	189	287
Hickory Grove	18	11	3	32	14	1		15	17		113	120	233
High Shoals	8	12		20	26	11	2	39		19	39	62	101
Kid's Chapel	4	2	2	8	5	22		27		19	27	52	79
Leanord's Fork	2	1		3					3		30	56	86
Lincolnton Ave.	16	17		32	10			10	22		32	55	87
Lincolnton First	12	17	1	30	26	1		27	3		66	88	154
Long Creek	4	13		17	16		1	17			91	127	218
Long Shoals *													
Lowell	20	10		30	7	6	3	16	14		37	81	118
Lucia *													
Loray	17	67	3	87	57	14	1	72	15		128	202	330
Lawing's Chapel	31	8		39	1		1	2	37		66	58	124
Macedonia	11	6	1	18	3		5	8	10		86	102	188
Maiden	22	17	2	41	17			17	24		89	110	199
Maysworth	15	6		21	6			6	15		18	22	40
McAdensville		12	1	13	12	3	2	17		4	60	146	206
Mt'n. Grove	2	1		3					3		35	39	74
Mt. Holly	26	22		48	56	2		58		10	40	90	130
Mt. Ruhama	33	2	3	38	22	11	2	36	2		108	150	258
Mt'n. View	2	2		4	1			1	3		28	43	71
Mt. Zion	10	3	3	16	7	1	3	11	5		76	118	194
Newton	12	11		23	16	11	1	28		5	48	56	104
Olivet		3		3	5		1	6		3	70	113	183
Piney Grove	1	5		6	1	1		2	4		21	31	52
Providence I *													
Providence II	4	3		7		2	1	3	4		32	55	87
Penelope	3	1		4					4		17	19	36
River View	19	2	2	23	14		2	16	7		63	93	156
Reepsville		1		1	4	2	2	8		7	19	32	51
Sandy Plains	10	8	1	19	1		3	4	15		62	82	144
Salem	9	3	1	13	12		1	13			42	70	112
Startown					1		1	2		2	7	13	20
Sharon	10	3		13			1	1	12		26	40	66
Spencer Mt'n.	2	3	6	11	5	1		6	5		12	28	40
Thessolonica	1	1		2	4	9		13		11	11	25	36
Tuckaseege	9	1		10	1			1	9		28	40	86
Warlick's Chapel	7			7	4		1	5	2		37	88	125
Webb's Chapel	7	5	1	13					13		10	26	63
West Hickory			2	2	4	1		5		3	22	45	67
TOTAL	478	407	35	920	498	109	44	651	381	112	2469	3637	6106

* Not Represented.

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Associa's. Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers Relief	Other Objects	TOTAL
Alexis	$ 90 00	$	$ 5 20	$ 10 00	$	$	$ 5 00	$ 5 00	$ 9	$	$ [illegible]	$ 8 20	$	$	$ 21 30	$ 136 70
Amity					1 00				2				1		50	5 50
Belmont	300 00		15 00	25 00		5 00	11 00	11 15	11					3	2	380 15
Beulah	45 00						1 00	1 00			1				15	48 15
Bethel	50 00		10 25	4 14			3 37	1 60	1						50	70 26
Brookford		370 00		36 58	5 00			3 00		6 65					1	422 23
Bruington	200 00	80 50	46 37	35 05			5 00	4 00	[illegible]	2	2 10		1 70	2	1	390 72
Cedar Grove	25 00		2 50			8 50		1 00	65				87		50	39 02
Cornith	100 00						10 00	5 00	6	2 20	5		2	3	1 30	134 50
Catawba						5 00			2		2			1	60	10 60
Dallas	235 00			42 58		25 00					5				1	308 58
East Gastonia	2000 00	880 59	103 39	67 00	19 [illegible]		28 75	29 75	42 14		102 56	10	3	3 31	3	2 342 74
Faith	50 00		7 50					85	1 80		2 35				50	63
Gastonia First	1050 00	239 60	293 03	140 59	3 55	38 03	119 22	132 77	204 97	5 44	131 21	25 84	25	19 55	1637 12	4 065 92
Hebron *																
Hickory First	1400 00	1 103 90	547 34	227 95	102 70		207 73	104 02	113 98		190 68	9 53	6	18	3	4 034 83
Hickory Grove	170 00	81 00	63 20	12 98	49 30	5 00	10 00	10 00	20	5	10			8 70		445 18
High Shoals	192 17	77 29	4 91	36 64		10 00	10 00	17 06	15 25		6 22	3 12		3 26	92 77	468 73
Kids Chapel	100 00	12 00	3 40			6 84	7 50	2 50	3 50		28 70	2 20	2 20	16 35	75	185 94
Leonards Fork	75 00		45 25			2 00		2 50	6 55		2			2	1	152 70
Lincolnton Ave.	115 00	50 00	15 00	10 00		2 00	2 00	2 00	4		3			2	1 50	205 50
Lincolnton First	900 00	50 00	120 93	57 95	20		54 50	105 50	49 87	5 10	72 83	25 25			165	1 618 13
Long Creek	250 00	91 65		45 63	15 00		9 50	7 66	7 66	1 91	7 66			3 83	15	455 50
Long Shoals *																
Lowell	198 30		27 00	91 24			8 00	3 00	8		8		1	2 50	1 10	348 14
Lucia *																
Loray	800 00	912 60	127 31	78 77	21 90		40 73	20 22	19 87	2 50	18 84			3 85	17 45	2 064 07
Lawrings Chapel	75 00		61 30	7 00			1 67	1 68	3 35			15			26	191
Macedonia		75 00		2 50			50	1 25	2 50	1 50	2 55			1 50	1 20	87 50
Maiden	150 00		35 00	26 00		2 00	5 00	1	5		8 11			3	2	237 11
Maysworth	65 00						3 00	2	3		2				8	83
McAdenville	210 25	4 25	35 70	81 44			25 00	12 50	12 50		5				20 30	411 94
Mt. Grove	87 50		9 55	5 18		12 50	12 50	3	5		5		2 03	2 03	25 45	169 84
Mt. Holly	488 00	825 00	151 00	90 91			32 35	5 40	10	2	78 18	15	10	5	182 50	1 89 34
Mt. Ruhama	104 83		8 70	10 42			30 15	5	5 55	8 59	11 12	2 50			1 40	188 26
Mt. View	50 00			6 00		2 50	1 00	50	1						25 75	86 75
Mt. Zion	125 00					2 03	4 00	4	8 47							143 50
Newton	250 00	33 00	75 90	29 06		30 00	25 40	9 60	14 20		53 51	37			128 50	686 17
Olivet	211 15	1 000 00		124 70	1 50	20 00	15 00	10	20	5	22	2		1 84	5 41	1 438 60
Piney Grove	50 00			4 69		10 00		1 74	2 61		1 77		2		25	97 79
Providence I *																
Providence I I	75 00		22 60	13 00		5 00	3 36	2	2 50		2			2 68		128 14
Penelope	47 90		21 50	24 04			6 42	2 80	4 15		2 60				5 50	104 91
Reepsville	64 50	31 00	4 00		46		46	46	46		46			95	11 80	114 55
River View	153 56		2 00	25 00	4 45		2 00	2	5		1 90		2		2 50	200 41
Sandy Plains	250 00	90 00	13 51	6 50			18 21	15 48	24 47		9 50	5		6 50	27 85	467 02
Salem	45 00	2 62				7 00	4 00	2	80		2			80	10 35	74 57
Startown	87 50					10 00	1 53	10	10				1	1 06	50	121 59
Sharon						2 00		1	1		1				50	5 50
Spencer Mountain	75 00			52 57	19 80		12 00	6		4	5 02				30	173 89
Thessalonica	25 00					5 00	5 00	1	1		2			1 52	7 55	48 07
Tuckeseege	20 00	300 00	9 93	20 00							3 50				47 50	400 98
Warlicks Chapel	72 50		2 00		5 00	5 00	1		1 50		2 50				10	99 50
Webbs Chapel	49 16		50 00	47			2 12	2 13	2 12							106
West Hickory	100 00	125 00	15 00	25 00			5 00									270

HURCHES	When Organized	PASTORS	Seating Capacity	Value of Church prop.	Sundays of Preaching	Church Clerks and Post Offices
kis	1903	G. P. Abernethy	350	$1200	1st Sun.	T. W. Garrison, Alexis
ty	1905	W. B. McClure	400		1st Sun.	W. W. Moore, Iron Station
nont	1874	L. M. Hobbs	300	1000	2nd and 4th	R. M. Gaston, Belmont
lah	1905	L. A. Bangle	250	400	3rd Sun.	Wm. Johnson, Henry, R. 3.
nel	1895	J. A. Hoyle	300	500	2nd Sun.	W. C. Mullen, Lincolnton
ngton	1853	D. E. Vipperman	400	1350	1st and 2nd	D. F. Hovis, Stanley
okford	1907	J. D. Harte	300	1800	2nd and 4th	J. R. Gray, Brookford
ar Grove	1902	R. D. Carroll	300	500	4th Sun.	J. A. Whitener, Newton
nth	1856	C. A. Caldwell	500	500	4th Sun.	G. W. Hood, Reepsville
awba	1875	None	300	2500		D. L. Wike, Catawba
as	1877	G. C. Epps				J. R. Lewis, Dallas
Gastonia	1901	J. J. Beach	600	4000	Ev. Sun.	M. T. Saunders, Gastonia
h	1906	C. F. Hudson	300	1200	4th Sun.	D. E. Ballard, Iron Station
onia First	1884	W. C. Barrett	600	25000	Ev. Sun.	R. A. Froneberger, Gastonia
ron	1883					
kory First	1870	J. D. Harte	800	15000	Ev. Sun.	W. T. Sledge, Hickory
kory Grove	1873	W. B. McClure	400	2000	4th Sun.	J. F. Abernethy, Lowell R. 2.
h Shoals	1902	R. D. Carroll			2nd Sun.	R. J. Dellinger, High Shoals
s Chapel	1872	A. W. Setzer				W. A. Pool, Iron Station
hard's Fork	1882	G. W. Rollins	300	600	2nd Sun.	W. H. Hoover, Crouse
olnton Ave.	1910	C. F. Felmett	250	700	3rd Sun.	W. W. Caldwell, Lincolnton
olnton First	1859	S. W. Bennett	400	8000	Ev. Sun.	L. V. Padgett, Lincolnton
g Creek	1772	H. B. Chronister	500	2000	1st and 3rd	A. R. Holland, Dallas
g Shoals	1901	Not Reported				
ell	1892	I. T. Newton	400	1200		W. P. Huggins, Lowell
a	1903					
ay	1905	C. M. Robinson	500	6000	Ev. Sun.	A. H. Mitchem, Gastonia
ing's Chapel	1907	G. P. Abernethy	400	1000	3rd Sun.	G. W. Huitt, Lincolnton, R 4
edonia	1869	W. B. McClure	400	600	1st Sun.	W. W. Lawing, Lincolnton
sworth	1910	C. M. Ervin				R. H. Nuttall, Maysworth
den	1891	J. A. Hoyle	400	1500	4th Sun.	L. S. Caldwell, Maiden
densville	1887	J. D Moose	400	1000	1st and 2nd	M. A. Harwell, McAdensville
n. Grove	1881	A. W. Setzer	400	2000	3rd Sun.	G. F. Huffman, Hickory R. 1
Holly	1890	D E. Vipperman	600	2500	1st and 3rd	G. W. Fisher, Mt. Holly
Ruhama	1816	G. P. Abernethy	400	550	2nd and 4th	Tate Caldwell, Newton R. 2
n. View	1853	W. B. McClure	350	850	2nd Sun.	E. Litten, Maiden, R. F. D.
Zion	1869	C. A. Caldwell	400	500	3rd Sun.	L. A. McClure, Alexis
ton	1882	R. D. Carroll	300	3500	1st and 3rd	J. P. Boyd, Newton
et	1833	Supply	400	2200	2nd Sun.	J. T. Ervin, Catawba R.
y Grove	1904	R. D. Carroll	300	750	1st Sun.	Lee Setzer, Newton
idence I	1852					
idence II	1878	C. A. Caldwell	200	500	2nd Sun.	R. Asherbruner, Henry R.
elope	1888	W. N. Cook	300	1000	3rd Sun.	Edward Locke Hickory R. 4
r View	1897	C. F. Felmel	400	800	2nd Sun.	S. Williams, Lincolnton
osville	1899	J. J. Waldrop	250	500	4th Sun.	Lee Elmore, Lincolnton
ly Plains	1863	J. J. Beach	300	600	4th Sun.	W. A. Jenkins, Gastonia R 3
m	1847	C. F. Felmet	400	600	1st Sun.	C. F. Clanton, Lincolnton
town	1896	R. D. Carroll	300	500	4th Sun.	J. Y. Killian, Newton
ron	1884	J. A. Hoyle			1st Sun.	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Station
ncer Mt'n.	1909	J. M. Ballard	400	500	2nd Sun.	J. F. Lowe, Lowell
ssalonica	1830	A. W. Setzer			3rd Sun.	W. P. Rhoney, Newton R. 1
caseege	1911	Geo. L. Mullis	300	300	4th Sun.	F. T. Hovis, Mt Holly
lick's Chapel	1875	C. F. Hudson	500	1500	1st Sun.	A. J. Cook, Hickory R. 4
t Hickory	1907	W. N. Cook	250	800		M. L. Christopher, Hickory
b's Chapel	1892	J. P. Felmet				F. B. Carpenter, Crouse

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Post Offices	No. Schools	No. Months Kept Open	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	Average Attendance	No. Quarlies Taken	No. Baptisms
Alexis	T. W. Garrison, Aleix	1	12	6	97	103	45	108	2
Belmont	Jas. A. Leeper, Lowell	1	12	5	75	80	50	160	4
Beulah	J. C. Mull, Henry, R. 3	1	12	8	90	98	50	25	5
Bethel	E. M. Hull, Lincolton	1	9	6	57	63	35	60	4
Brookford	C. P. Edwards, Hickory	1	12	10	160	170	98	155	
Bruington	D. F. Hovis, Stanly	1	12	7	85	92	55	5	4
Cedar Grove	J. A. Whitener, Newton	1	9	6	39	45	28		1
Corinth	R. P. Heavner, Henry	1	12	9	160	169	60		1
Dallas	Clarence Rhyne, Dallas	1	12	6	70	76	60	180	
Faith	B. E. Ballard, Iron Station	1	9	5	25	30	20	40	5
Gastonia First	J. S. Wray, Gastonia	2	12	18	233	251	160		
Hickory First	J. D. Elliott, Hickory	1	12	20	245	265	165	510	8
Hickory Grove	Thos. A. Lineberger, Lowell	1	12	10	142	152	62		9
High Shoals	J. E. Chronister, High Shoals	1	12	9	134	143	88	197	4
Kid's Chapel	W. A. Whitener, Kidsville	1	9	6	38	44	33	44	
Leonard's Fork	T. F. Cornwell, Lincolnton	1	9	6	36	42			
Lincolnton Ave.	W. H. Lingerfelt, "	1	12	6	85	91	70		13
Lincolnton First	J. O. Allen, "	1	12	9	112	121	70	165	8
Long Creek	A. R. Holland, Dallas	1	12	8	125	133	90		
Lowell	Jacob Hendrix, Lowell	1	12	11	121	132	62	75	4
Loray	C. L. Cloudler, Gastonia	1	12	12	313	325	175	500	11
Lawings Chapel	J. A. Huitt, Lincolnton	1	12	9	117	126	58		17
Macedonia	W. W. Lawing, "	1	7	7	75	82	50		6
Maiden	A. E. Teague, Maiden	1	12	11	123	134	100	400	22
Maysworth	S. Medlock, Maysworth	1	12	5	50	55	40	200	7
McAdenville	M. A. Harwell, McAdenville	1	12	12	188	200	125	200	
Mt'n. Grove	Carroll Abernethy, Hickory	1	9	6	59	65	35	75	
Mt. Holly	J. E. Mullis, Mt. Holly	2	12	16	211	227	165	98	13
Mt'n. View	J. M. Lowe, Maiden, R.	1	8	6	107	113	25	65	2
Mt. Ruhama	M. C. Laney, " "	2	12	14	203	217	147	157	16
Mt. Zion	H. M. Sides, Alexis	1	12	8	65	73	45		4
Newton	S. T. Gaddy, Newton	1	12	13	120	133	75	200	9
Olivet	Osborne Brown, Long Island	1	12	17	208	225	101	336	
Piney Grove	Lee Setzer, Newton	1	12	9	58	67	52	150	
Providence II	W. F. Huffman, Henry, R.	1	12	4	50	54	35		
Penelope	F. A. Lock, Hickory, R. 4	1	12	8	90	98	50	24	
River View	Samuel Reep, South Side	1	12	7	104	111	56	115	16
Sandy Plains	J. E. C. Ford, Lowell, R. 1	1	12	6	30	36	25	276	8
Sharon	J. C. Rudisill, Iron Station	1	12	4	82	86	50		
Spencer Mt'n.	Walker Wilkins, Lowell	1	12	3	128	131	60		
Tuckaseege	F. T. Hovis, Mt. Holly	1	12	8	88	96	60	274	8
Webb's Chapel	J. B. Williams, Crouse	1	12	4	60	64	25		
West Hickory	D. B. Taylor, Hickory	1	12	7	70	77	50	150	
TOTAL		46	11⅓						

NOTE—Eleven churches reported no schools, and hence, do not appear in this report.—Clerk.

Minutes of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association

The Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association met with the Baptist Church of Newton, N. C., on the above date

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. H. B. Moore, and Miss Clara Smith was asked to act as secretary.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. D. Harte, of Hickory, N. C.

Mrs. J. Yates Killian delivered the address of welcome, and, in the absence of Mrs. S. W. Bennett, Mrs. R. L. Sigmon, of Lincolnton, responded to the address of welcome.

Reports from the Woman's Missionary Societies, Y. W. A.'s and Sunbeams were then read, and the following delegates enrolled:

Gastonia 1st—Mrs. H. B. Moore; East Gastonia—Mrs. J. J. Beach and Miss Minnie Robinson; Gastonia Loray—Miss Eunice Barbee; Lincolnton—Mrs. R. L. Sigmon, Mrs. L. J. Ramseur, Mrs. L. M. Coffey; Hickory—Mrs. W. R. Bradshaw and Mrs. Kiser; Newton—Mrs. J. Yates Killian and Mrs. G. W. Setzer; Sandy Plains—Miss Sallie Moten; Lincolnton Sunbeams—Mrs. M. E. Bridges, Miss Ruby Jones; East Gastonia Sunbeams—Miss Clara Smith; Newton Sunbeams—Mrs. R. D. Carroll; Star Town Sunbeams—Miss Lillie Thorneburg, Mrs. W. L. Killian; Hickory Sunbeams—Mrs. J. D. Harte; Gastonia Y. W. A. Miss Mabel Padgett, Miss Phonnia Hoyle; Lincolnton Y. W. A. Miss Lynda White, Miss Lena Boatright; Newton Y. W. A. Mrs. J. Yates Killian.

Next came the Annual Address by the President, Mrs. Moore, for which address the Union expressed its thanks and appreciation by a rising vote.

The President made her Annual Report to the Union, showing the number of societies visited during the year and, in general, giving a brief account of her year's work.

The question of the expense fund was discussed by different members, and upon motion of Mrs. J. Yates Killian, duly seconded by Mrs. J. D. Harte, it was decided that we have an expense fund known as the "Associational Expense Fund"; and it was agreed that each society in this Association should contribute to this Expense Fund, sending their contributions by their delegates to each meeting of the Union.

Upon motion of Mrs. J. Yates Killian, seconded by Mrs. Harte, it was agreed that the Union ask the South Fork Association to allow them permission to use one page of the regular Associational minutes for printing the minutes of the Woman's Meeting.

It was suggested by Mrs. Moore that the members of the Missionary Societies in each of the churches, instead of contributing through the benevolent end of their envelopes to the benevolent fund of the church, should let all their gifts for missions go through the treasurer of their society, and thus increase the report of their gifts to missions.

Mrs. Moore presented to the Union a Standard of Excellence, a Constitution and a collection of By-Laws, which were read in full and, upon motion of Mrs. M. E. Bridges, duly seconded, were adopted as the Standard of Excellence, Constitution and By-Laws for the government of the Woman's Union of the South Fork Association.

The following is a copy of the

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

(a) At least one meeting a month with a devotional exercise and a definite missionary program.

(b) An increase in membership during the year of at least 25 per cent of the present number enrolled.

(c) An increase in gifts of not less than 16 per cent of the preceding year's contribution.

(d) Regular reports to State officers each quarter of the year.

(e) One of the denominational magazines or a Calendar or Prayer, subscribed for in each home represented in the Missionary organizatlons.

(f) Observance of the special seasons of prayer for State, Home and Foreign Missions.

(g) At least one Mission Study Class.

(h) An average attendance at regular meetings of a number equal to two-thirds of the membership.

This Standard of Excellence, as suggested by the General Union, has been adopted for North Carolina.

Societies attaining any four points will be counted in Class C; those reaching six in Class B; those reaching seven in Class A; while those reaching all eight will be placed in a list of honor.

At the annual sessions of the General Union charts showing the comparative standing of the Societies in the different States will be displayed. Shall not North Carolina have a high place on the chart? What *your* Society does will help to determine this

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee—Mrs. J. J. Beach, Chairman, Miss Phoenia Hoyle, Mrs. R. L. Sigmon.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Chairman, Mrs. J. Yates Killian, Miss Mabel Padgett.

Committee on Literature—Mrs. J. Yates Killian, Chairman, Mrs. J. D. Harte, Mrs. H. B. Moore.

Committee on Obituaries—Mrs. L. J. Ramseur, Chairman, Mrs. M. E. Bridges, Mrs. L. M. Coffey.

The meeting then adjourned until eight o'clock P. M., when Rev. J. D. Harte, of Hickory, delivered an interesting and helpful address on "Paul's Vision at Troas," which was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it.

The meeting again convenied on Wednesday morning, October 4th, 1911 at 9:30 o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Phoenia Hoyle.

Miss Sallie Moten delighted the Union with a short talk on "How the Problems of a Society in a Country Church may be Overcome," giving some valuable points for struggling societies in country churches.

Mrs. Coffey's Woman's Part in State Missions" was very helpful, showing how important it is that the women look after State Missions, and impressing the necessity of looking after the work at the very door of the Societies.

"The Meaning of Home Missions" was given to the Union by Mrs. J. J. Beach, and was laid upon the hearts of all who heard it in such a way as to bring Home Missions nearer our own door.

Mrs. J. Yates Killian conducted the Y. W. A. Half Hour, and aroused much enthusiasm among the members for the Y. W. A. work, messengers from several churches promising to go home and organize Y. W. A.'s in their own churches.

The work of the Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors was discussed by Mrs. J. D. Harte. Mrs. Harte told the Union just how she conducted her own Sunbeam Band, and gave many helpful points for Sunbeam leaders and leaders of the Royal Ambassadors.

Mrs. Moore gave a helpful talk on "How Can we Enlist Tithers," showing that it was a duty to tithe: that people are blessed by tithing; and how to get others to tithe.

"Personal Service as Needed in our Association" was discussed by Mrs. W. R. Bradshaw and Miss Clara Smith.

"What the Bible Teaches about Tithing" was discussed by Mrs. Ramseur and Mrs. Bridges, showing plainly what God expects of His people in regard to tithing.

Mrs. Moore and Miss Padgett delighted the members of the Union with a duet.

Mrs. M. E. Bridges told the Union "How we can best go Forward this Year."

After prayer, the meeting adjourned for dinner, which was served in picnic style at the church.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer, and the following committees made their reports:

"The Committee on Nomination of Officers reports as follows:

1. President, Mrs. H. B. Moore, Gastonia.
2. Vice-President, Mrs. Yates Killian, Newton.

3. Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Clara Smith, Gastonia.

"We advise the formation of a new committee, at the suggestion of our President, viz: an Associational Central Committee, which will consist of the officers and two others, viz: Mrs. J. D. Harte, Hickory, N. C., Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Lincolnton, N. C.

"It will be the duty of this committee to assist in organizing Societies and arranging the annual Association program, and to help in any way to advance the work.

Mrs. J. J. Beach, Chairman
Mrs. R. L. Sigmon,
Miss Phoenia Hoyle,
Committee.

Upon motion duly seconded, the above report was adopted and the officers and committees named therein duly elected.

The Committee on Time and Place reported that the next annual meeting would be held with the First Baptist Church of Hickory, N. C., beginning on the first Wednesday in Oct. 1912.

Committee on Literature reported as follows:

"We recommend that a campaign be made in each Society to—

1. Get subscriptions for the Foreign Mission Journal and the Calendar of Prayer;
2. That at least every officer in each Society subscribe to Our Mission Fields;
3. That an effort be made to have a Mission Study Class in every Society this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. Yates Killian, Chairman
Mrs. J. D. Harte,
Mrs. H. B. Moore,
Committee

The following report was made by the Committee on Obituaries:

"God in His all-wise providence has seen fit to remove from our midst our dear young sister, Miss Annie McKinis, a member of the Y. W. A. of the Lincolnton Baptist Church.

"May God comfort and strengthen the bereaved parents."

"Mrs. Mary Edwards, of Brookford, who departed this life last winter, was not a member of a missionary society, but spent her whole life talking and living missions. May God bless the seed she has sown, and may she reap many golden sheaves in the bye and bye.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. T. J. Ramseur,
Mrs. L. M. Coffey,
Mrs. M. E. Bridges.
Committee.

Misses Lena Boatright and Lynda White, on behalf of the delegates attending the Union, tendered thanks and appreciation for the kind hospitality received at the hands of the members of the Newton Church and their friends during their stay in Newton.

After several short prayers, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church of Hickory, N. C., on Wednesday, October 2nd, 1912.

Miss Clara Smith, Secretary Mrs. H. B. Moore, President

ALL POWER IS GIVEN UNTO ME IN HEAVEN AND IN EARTH; GO YE THEREFORE AND TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST; TEACHING THEM TO OBSERVE ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER I HAVE COMMANDED YOU; AND, LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD

MINUTES

of the

Thirty-Fourth Annual Session

of the

South Fork Baptist Association

Held With the

MAIDEN CHURCH

Maiden, N. C.

October 14th, 25th, 26th

1912

The next Session meets with Mt. Holly Church, Gaston County, N. C., on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1913, at 11 o'clock A. M.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator - -	Osborne Brown, Long Island, N. C.
Vice-Moderator - - -	J. D. Elliott, Hickory, N. C.
Clerk - - - -	J. F. Click, Hickory, N. C.
Treasurer . -	David P. Dellinger, Gastonia, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thos. J. Ramseur — J. J. Beach
R. S. Lewis — H. B. Moore
J. D. Harte — J. D. Elliott
J. Yates Killian

ORDAINED MINISTERS

W. B. McClure, Alexis, N. C.
W. C. Barrett, Gastonia, N. C.
J. J. Beach " "
C. M. Robinson " "
J. D. Moose " "
R. D. Carroll, Newton, N. C.
J. D. Harte, Hickory, N. C.
C. M. Ervin, " "
J. W. Griffin, " "
W. N. Cook, " "
W. R. Bradshaw, " "
C. A. Caldwell, Henry, N. C.
H. B. Chronister, Lincolnton, N. C.
S. W. Bennett, " "
P. W. Bangle, " "
G. W. Rollins " "
J. A. Hoyle, Maiden, N. C.
A. W. Setzer, " "
C. E. Beaver, " "
G. P. Abernethy, " "
J. J. Waldrop, " "
D. E. Vipperman, Mt. Holly, N. C.
G. L. Mullis, " "
J. M. Hildebrand, Hildebran, N. C.
A. P. Bumgarner, McAdenville, "
J. M. Ballard, Iron Station, N. C.
L. A. Bangle, Cherryville, N. C.
H. M. Groom, Catawba, N. C.
W. P. Campbell, " "
L. M. Hobbs, Bessemer City, N, C.
R. D. Smith, Stanley, N. C.
I. T. Newton, Dallas, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL SECTIONS

FIRST—Belmont, Dallas, Gastonia, East Gastonia, Loray, McAdenville, Maysworth, Lowell, Mt. Holly, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Bruington, Long Creek, Sandy Plains, High Shoals, Tuckaseege.

SECOND—Lincolnton, Lincolnton Avenue, Sharon, Salem, Mt. Zion, Kid's Chapel, Mt. View, Macedonia, Mt. Ruhama, Webb's Chapel, River View, Long Shoals, Bethel, Leonard's Fork, Alexis, Lucia, Faith, Lawing's Chapel.

THIRD—Hickory, Corinth, Newton, Maiden, Cedar Grove, Piney Grove, Catawba, Olivet, Providence I, Providence II, Thessalonica, Reepsville, Mt. Grove, Penelope, Startown, Warlick's Chapel, Amity, Beulah, West Hickory, Brookford.

The Association is not to meet in the same section two years in succession.

PROCEEDINGS

The South Fork Baptist Association met in its thirty-fourth annual session with Maiden Church, Catawba County, at eleven o'clock, Thursday, October 24th, 1912.

After song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," the Association was called to order by Osborne Brown, Moderator of last session. Prayer by J. D. Harte.

After song, "How Firm a Foundation," the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. I. T. Newton. Text: II Timothy, 4:6.

The Association adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

On reassembling, song, "Come Thou Fount," and prayer by W. P. Campbell, the Association was called to order.

Roll of churches was called. Forty-five out of fifty-four answered first roll call.

Delegates for the session enrolled as follows:

Alexis—E. E. Abernathy, C. A. Lineberger, C. F. Abernethy.

Amity—J. S. McAlister.

Belmont—J. C. Stewart, A. A. Armstrong.

Beulah—Represented by letter.

Bethel—E. M. Hull, L. L. Massey, W. C. Mullen, D. A. Campbell, B. F. Rodgers.

Brookford—C. P. Edwards.

Bruington—Roy Morris, R. L. Smith, W. L. Morris.

Cedar Grove—William Hudson, J. A. Whitener, John Beard.

Corinth—C. A. Caldwell.

Catawba—H. M. Croom, J. L. F. Danner, H. B. Croom.

Dallas—I. T. Newton, J. R. Lewis.

East Belmont—C. M. Ervin, I. C. Stewart.

East Gastonia—C. A. Rhyne, A. J. Saunders, M. T. Saunders.

Faith—R. E. Ballard.

Gastonia, First—C. L. Rhyne, J. S Wray, W. C. Barrett, David P. Dellinger, J. M. Shuford, H. B. Moore.

Hebron—Not represented.

Hickory, First—J. D. Harte, W. R. Bradshaw, R. L. White, C. W. Ellington, W. H. Penny, J. F. Click.

Hickory Grove—J. L. Huffstetler, L. E. Etters, J. F. Abernethy, J. Lee Abernethy, G. P. Abernethy, J. W. Rankin, W. W. Rimmer.

High Shoals—B. E. Morris.

Kid's Chapel—W. S. Kids.

Leonard's Fork—T. J. Hoover.

Lincolnton Avenue—R. F. Lippard, J. D. Armstrong, J. L. Gilbert, A. N. Jones, W. W. Caldwell.

Lincolnton, First—S. W. Bennett, T. J. Ramseur.

Long Creek—T. S. Summey, A. R. Holland.

Long Shoals—Not represented.

Loray—L. J. Waldrop, J. D. Moose.

Lowell—W. F. Huggins, J. W. Hansill.

Lucia—Not represented.

Lawing's Chapel—R. B. Cook, J. A. Huitt, C. E. Beaver.

Macedonia—J. S. Goodson, J. R. Link.

Maiden—J. A. Hoyle, H. B. Chronister, D. A. Finger, L. S. Caldwell, W. W. Laney, J. C. Canipe.

Maysworth—Represented by letter.

McAdensville—Laban Abernethy, E. F. Skidmore.

Mt. Grove—J. B. Rockett, Calvin Baker, A. W. Setzer.

Mt. Holly—D. E. Vipperman, S. J. Skidmore.

Mt. Ruhama—L. R. Williams, W. M. Caldwell, P. H. Cline, John Withers.

Mt. View—J. M. Lowe, H. P. Dellinger, Jesse Williams.

Mt. Zion—P. L. Sigmon, J. F. Hawkins, Jr., M. J. Hager.

Newton—Eugene Lingerfelt, J. F. Hawkins, A. M. Harrill, Norman Drum, R. D. Carroll.

Olivet—W. P. Campbell, Osborne Brown, Edgar Ervin, J. T. Ervin, A. L. Ervin, J. S. Waugh.

Piney Grove—Lee Setzer, A. C. Summitt, Logan Drum.

Providence I—Not represented.

Providence II—Max Burns.

Penelope—E. J. Lock, I. M. Hildebran.

Reepsville—Z. T. Wise, G. F. Woodard.

River View—P. A. Hicks, W. R. Huffstetler.

Sandy Plains—A. B. Huffman, D. B. Harwell, M. M. Caldwell, S. E. Beattie.

Salem—W. H. Huggins, C. W. Huggins.

Startown—J. Yates Killian.

Sharon—L. A. Abernethy.

Spencer Mountain—J. M. Ballard, J. F. Lowe.

Thessalonica—W. P. Rhoney.

Tuckaseege—Geo. L. Mullis, W. W. McAllister, B. A. Crouse.

Warlicks—A. J. Cook, Jas. F. Finger, P. A. Berry.

Webb's Chapel—W. R. Huffstetler.

West Hickory—C. M. Ervin, W. N. Cook.

The Association elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Moderator, Osborne Brown; Vice-Moderator, J. D. Elliott;

Clerk, J. F. Click;Treasurer, David P. Dellinger

Rev. J. J. Beach was excused for the day to fill an appointment.

Beulah Church asks for a letter of dismission to join South Mountain Association.

By motion and vote the letter was granted.

J. D. Harte, for committee appointed at last session, reports the following:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Thursday, P. M.

2:00—Report of Committee on State Missions.
3:30—Report on Biblical Recorder.
7:00—Woman's Work.
7:45—South Fork Institute.

Friday A. M.

9:30—Devotional Exercises.
10:00—Miscellaneous Business.
10:15—Home Missions.
11:15—Education.

Friday P. M.

1:30—Foreign Missions.
2:30—Orphanage.
3:45—Aged Ministers Relief.
7:30—Sunday Schools.

Saturday A. M.

9:30—Devotional Exercises.
10:00—Miscellaneous Business.
10:30—State Missions.

Saturday P. M.

1:30—Obituaries.
2:00—Report of Executive Committee.
2:30—All unfinished business.

J. D. Harte,
J. J. Beach,
S. W. Bennett,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. D. Harte, David P. Dellinger, W. C. Bennett, W. P. Campbell and A. W. Seter.

David P. Dellinger offers an amendment to the report, that the reading of church letters take the place of the "report of the Committee on State of Churches."

The amendment carried and report adopted as amended.

David P. Dellinger and J. S. Wray were appointed to read

the church letters.

Before reading the letters, by motion, the Moderator appointed the following committee to inspect the grounds, buildings, etc., of South Fork Institute, to report same at this session: J. D. Harte, W. P. Campbell and W. C. Barrett.

After the letters were read, welcome was extended the following new and visiting brethren: Rev. H. M. Croom, who has moved into the Association; R. C. Whitener, visitor from the Catawba River Association; Rev. M. L. Kestler, representative of the Thomasville Orphanage, and J. A. Speagle, representative of the Biblical Recorder.

East Belmont, a young, new church, presents letter and church credentials and asks for membership in this Association.

The application was referred to the following committee: W. C. Barrett, I. T. Newton, S. W. Bennett.

By motion, it was ordered that the night session be devoted to the reports on Woman's Work, and South Fork Institute.

The Committee on Hospitality read their report, assigning homes to visitors and delegates.

Adjourned till 7:30. Prayer by I. M. Hildebran.

NIGHT SESSION.

After a song, the Association was called to order. Prayer by Rev. E. N. Johnson, of Morganton.

W. C. Barrett moves that the clerk procure suitable blank church letters and send them to the church clerks 30 days before the next session of the Association.

The motion carried and the clerk was so instructed.

R. D. Carroll reads the following:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

In our Association there are 13 Woman's Missionary Societies, 11 Sunbeams Societies, 4 Young Woman's Auxiliaries, and 2 Royal Ambassadors, making a total of 30 societies, under the direction of our women.

Last year these societies gave $782.82. This year they report $1,025.00, an increase of more than 30 per cent.

The societies have done well.

It shows what our women can do, and will do, when they become organized. For, like men, they do not accomplish much in the Lord's work until they become organized.

Our women have no desire to pull away from their churches, and want to do their work in their organized societies in their churches.

In many churches, where they have no societies, they need information, and a little help to start in the work. The pastor can, in most cases, give this help.

Most women are timid, and need encouragement, especially

if they are to lead in any public service. Many of them who do splendid work in a private way, tremble when they have to lead and talk to their sisters in a public service.

A knowledge of the work that has to be done gives courage and boldness to go forward. The Foreign Mission Journal, the Home Field, tracts, and some small books that can be had from the different boards will give much of this needed information.

Let no woman who may begin this work in her church expect all the women of the church to fall into line at once, and join hands with her in the Lord's work.

I do not know a church where all of the women have become members of the Missionary Society. Get as many women to join with you as you can and be patient with the others. Some of them will come in after a while.

Our women are already a mighty force, but they have not even dreamed of what they may become under the blessing of God, if they all become thoroughly aroused and organized for the Lord's work.

The churches today that are doing things are the ones whose women are aroused to the importance of world-wide missions.

There were reported to the last session of this Asosciation 3,637 female members of our churches, and the fullest information at hand gives less than 500 who are members of any Missionary Society, leaving more than 3,000 who are not enlisted and organized in any systematic way for giving the Gospel to the world.

The report was discussed by R. D. Carroll, S. W. Bennett, W. P. Campbell, R. L. Smith, W. C. Barrett, and I. M. Hildebran.

The report was adopted, and by motion, the clerk was instructed to have inserted into the Associational Minutes, the proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union.

S. J. Honeycutt reads his fourth annual report:

SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE.

Three years ago, the past August, I took charge of your school. During this period our enrolment has increased 40 per cent, the average attendance about 45 per cent, the financial receipts about 40 per cent, the salary of teachers 60 per cent. One teacher has been added for the present session. This was made necessary in order to take care of the Bible Department.

Three years ago there was no Bible department. Now we have classes in "The Sunday School Normal Manual," and in the "Old Testament History." After Christmas there will be a class in "Mission Study." At present there are 24 young men and young women in these classes. Thirty in the last three years have received the Convention Normal Diploma, and last year several studied "Dorgan's Doctrines of Our Faith."

The first year of my principalship there were only three ministerial students, five the second year, last year seven, this

year eight with the prospect of three more to enter after Christmas. The general conduct of the student body has gradually improved.

Three years ago the Catawba River Association adopted South Fork Institute as her Associational School. This session we have seven excellent young men from that Association and three other students to enter yet this session.

Two years ago the Caldwell Association indorsed South Fork Institute and this year is assisting one ministerial student from her bounds.

Last session in March Rev. W. R. Bradshaw conducted a series of meetings in the chapel of the school building in which there were 19 professions. Every unconverted boy and girl in the dormitory made a profession. The influence of the meeting continues to be felt in the student body.

The total enrolment for the time I have had charge of the school has been 284.

The Wednesday night prayer meeting continues to be one of the most helpful features of the school. More interest is manifested this year than ever in the young men's literary society. Within the next two or three weeks the young men and young women will organize a B. Y. P. U.

The present teaching force is comprised of three men and three women: S. J. Honeycutt, Principal; Rev. I. T. Newton, Wm. R. Timmons, Mrs. S. J. Honeycutt, Mrs. Lillian Tilley, Miss Mary Estelle Jones.

The history of the school for the last three years shows a steady growth. The school has been made more useful to the denomination, and the faculty made stronger. But, the churches as a whole, have not yet become thoroughly interested in the work.

In view of the fact that no tuition is charged for instruction in the Bibe, and that ministerial students receive instruction at half tuition rates, I recommend that this Association take steps to raise a fund for the support of the Bible department.

I remind the Association that six men are to be nominated at this meeting from which two trustees are to be elected by the Board of Trustees at their meeting in May to fill the vacancies of two men whose term of office expire in May.

I have expended $57.50 for new mattresses for the boys, $9.00 for locks, $12.60 for chairs, $25.00 for interior painting, and have purchased lumber for some weatherboarding and necessary repair work. Other repairs are to be made soon at a date when workmen and material can be had.

We need a general, sympathetic co-operation of the churches, the prayers of our Christian people, and more financial support in order to carry on the work of the Institute successfully.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. Honeycutt, Principal.

In connection with this report, the special committee appointed to inspect the property made their report as follows:

Maiden, N. C., October 24, 1912.

We, your comittee appointed to investigate the condition of the buildings of the South Fork Institute, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. School Building.

We found about 27 window lights broken, and glass in front door broken. The steps to building, both in front and rear of house need to be replaced. All the blackboards in the building are in bad condition. Each recitation room is in need of a small, neat platform and table for the teacher's accommodation. The plastering in some places is broken and needs repair. The front gable is in bad condition. The stove piping from stoves to flues need repair as a matter of safety against fire.

2nd...Boys' Dormitory.

mation about the needs of the Orphanage may be disseminated of "Charity and Children" for distribution, in order that infor-

We found this building to be in very bad repair. The building proper needs to be recovered. The roof on front porch is practically gone. The ceiling to front porch is in bad condition as a result of bad roof. The house is needing a coat of paint. We found 13 window lights broken.

3rd. Girl's Dormitory.

We found this building in good condition, with the exception of a slight defect in front door and one broken light.

4th. Central Dining Room.

We found this building to be as clean as a pin and well kept in every respect. The front porch of this building has at least two bad leaks and the ceiling is being damaged as a consequence.

All the buildings and grounds are clean and well kept.

We, therefore, recommend that the Association attempt to raise $125.00 at once to make the needful repairs at this time.

W. P. Campbell, for the Committee.

These reports jointly were discussed by S. J. Honeycutt, W. P. Campbell, Prof. Wray, E. N. Johnson and W. C. Barrett.

By motion both reports were adopted.

By motion, pledges were taken to get money necessary to do the needed repairing on buildings and grounds.

Roll of churches were called and $135.50 was pledged. A cash collection was taken wihch amounted to $15.50. R. E. Whitener, of Catawba River Association, pledged his church for $5.00, making in cash and pledges $156.00.

The Moderator calls R. D. Carroll to the chair, and as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, submits the following report:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SOUTH FORK INSTIIUTE.

May 9 to October 24, Inclusive.

Receipts.

Cash received from retiring Secretary-Treasurer			3.28
Aug.	1.	Cash from H. B. Moore on Subscript'n	5.00
Sep.	9.	Cash from H. B. Moore on Subscript'n	5.00
Sep.	9.	Cash from 1st Baptist Ch., Gastonia ...	17.45
Oct.	24.	Cash from H. B. Moore on Subscript'n	5.00
Jly.	11.	Cash from J. D. Elliott (Cr. on Note)..	56.75
Jly.	11.	Cash from J. Yates Killian	28.38
Jly.	11.	Cash from Osborne Brown	28.38
			$149.24

Disbursements.

Jly.	11.	By cash on note First National Bank of Hickory	$100.00
Jly.	1.	Cash paid First Nationa lBank of Hickory for interest	13.51
		Balance on hand	35.73
			$149.24
Oct.	24.	To balance on hand	$35.73

Present Indebtedness.

For insurance on three policies due November, 1911....	$ 90.00
Due S. J. Honeycutt	32.50
W. L. Saunders, note	78.00
J. B. Bridges, note	600.00
J. S. Bridges, .note	600.00
First National Bank of Hickory	450.00
Accumulated Interest	30.00
Present Indebtedness	$1880.50

By motion the report was received.

R. L. Smith makes a motion that every Baptist in the Association be urged to pay $1 for this repair work.

J. S. Wray offers an amendment that the amount asked be 25 cents instead of $1.

The amendment carried.

By motion, the report on the Orphanage take the place of Home Missions in the Order of Business.

By motion the Association adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow. Benediction by G. C. Ivery.

SECOND DAY, FRIDAY A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by G. L. Mullis.

Moderator calls Association to order. Prayer R. L. Smith, leading.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The following delegates reported present: J. M. Cline, W. W. Caldwell, A. N. Jones, W. S. Kids, R. E. Ballard, J. S. McAlister, M. T. Saunders, the same being enrolled with their respective churches.

Bro. E. C. Andrews, of the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association, was welcomed to a seat in the body. By permission, he made an earnest appeal for help to build a house of worship at Kannapolis.

By motion, adopting a plan to raise the necessary money for South Fork Institute repairs, in addition to the pledges and cash received last night, was referred to the Board of Trustees.

R. D. Carroll moved the adoption of the following:

A GOOD RESOLUTION FOR EVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO PASS THIS YEAR.

Whereas, Baptists are guardians of the spiritual foundations of Democracy, and whereas the modern Republic cannot long endure in ignorance of the religious essentials of Democracy, it behooves North Carolina Baptists to make Baptist principles felt in every educational centre of our State.

Therefore, be it resolved:

I. That our State Mission Board be encouraged in maintaining an efficient Baptist Sunday School hard by every day school and college in North Carolina: that this Association assert the approval of the State Mission Board's desire to support the strongest possible preacher in every educational centre of our State: that this Association go on record as favoring a denominational policy that will ultimately put an adequate house of worship in all our principal educational centres of North Carolina.

2. That it is the sense of this Association that the way should be cleared for working out this policy, by the denomination's coming to the help of the local church at Wake Forest in supplying our own Wake Forest College with a house of worship ample for taking care of all the students that may ever go to Wake Forest to study.

3. That some denominational agency be empowered to push this matter, so that at least every three years a new ample church building shall be erected in one of our educational centres until all of them are supplied with churches.

The resolution was adopted. A. W. Setzer, for C. M. Staley, reads the following:

REPORT ON ORPANAGE.

The Baptists of North Carolina have given loyal and generous support to their Orphanage at Thomasville. By their voluntary gifts they have established this institution to care for

the fatherless ones in their midst. At the Orphanage there are now nearly four hundred orphan children, who are being fed and clothed, educated and fitted for lives of usefulness and service.

But we must not be satisfied with what we have done, and are doing for the orphans, but must plan and work for still greater things in the future. Additional buildings must be provided to care for the hundreds of other fatherless children who are asking admittance into the Orphanage. Through the generosity of Brother W. L. Kennedy and wife, a fine farm in Eastern North Carolina has been given for a branch Orphanage; and the money must be secured to provide for the necessary buildings and equipment. Surely the Baptist people of North Carolina will rise to the full measure of the opportunity before them. They have done nobly in the past; they will do still more nobly in the future.

We recommend to all our Sunday schools that they take a collection one Sunday in each month for the support of the Orphanage. Many of our Sunday schools are already doing this, but there are some that have not yet fallen into line. Also we recommend that each Sunday school supply itself with copies among the people. And at Thanksgiving let every church make a liberal offering for the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,
Chas. M. Staley.

The report was ably discussed by Rev. M. L. Kestler, of the Thomasville Orphanage.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appoints as Committee on Place and Preacher for next session: J. C. Whitesides, Laban Abernethy and A. M Harril.

The committee to examine the application of East Belmont Church make the following report:

We, your Committee to Examine the Church Covenant and Articles of Faith of East Belmont Baptist Church which applies for membership in this Association, have made as complete an examination as we could, and find it an orthodox Baptist church.

W. C. Barrett,
S. W. Bennett,
I. T. Newton,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

By motion, East Belmont Church was received, and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship, and the church and delegates were enrolled in due order.

Song—"Nearer, My God, to Thee."

Rev. W. C. Barrett reads the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is one of the essentials to success and happiness. An educated person is worth more to the Church and to the State than the same person could be worth uneducated. Therefore the Church and State should both be interested in education. We all believe that every person needs an education and should have the opportunity to secure it. There is some difference of opinion as to who should maintain schools and what should be taught in them.

We have two systems of schools: the one maintained by the State and the other by the Church. The State undertakes to furnish elementary education for all the children. It has not yet succeeded but the system should be enlarged until it is at least possible for every child to get an elementary education. The State also furnishes higher education to a very small per cent. But the State cannot do the educational work of the Church any more than the Church can do the work of the State. The State cannot meet the religious demands of the individual, because it cannot teach religion. Man is a religious being and the education that does not meet the religious need is not complete.

If the faith that we hold and preach is to be held and preached by coming generations, we must have schools that hold and teach the same religious principles that our homes and churches hold and teach. While the child is in the home and attends the church of its parents, its religious needs can be supplied. But when it goes away to school, the school must hold the same religious principles that it holds if it develops spiritually as well as mentally.

We have two colleges and fourteen high schools. They are guardians of our faith. We must fortify them with equipment and endowment and support them with our patronage, and thus develop a highly cultivated and deeply spiritual people.

There are ninety-four ministerial students at Wake Forest and eight at South Fork Institute, several of whom are almost entirely dependent upon the Board of Education for support. If the churches do not send the money, the Board will not be able to help these young men to secure an education. There are eight ministerial students at South Fork Institute. Some of these young men need help. The institute is doing all that it can by giving them half tuition. It would be well for the Association to make some arrangement by which the churches could assist the worthy and needy ones in this number.

W. C. Barrett.

The report was discussed by W. C. Barrett. But the hour for dinner having arrived, Dr. W. R. Cullom's speech was post-

poned until after dinner.

Adjourn one hour for dinner. Prayer by Dr. Cullom.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a song and prayer by A. W. Setzer, the Moderator calls the Association to order.

Consideartion o fthe report on education was resumed, and Christian Education was ably discussed by Dr. Cullom.

The report was adopted with the understanding that the committee amend it by mentioning the Ministerial students at South Fork Institute also.

The Moderator appoints the following committee to audit the books of the retiring Treasurer (W. C. Mullen) viz.: S. J. Honeycutt and J. T. Ervin.

A. W. Setzer reads the following:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

There is a mutual relation sustained by the Biblical Recorder and the Baptists of North Carolina. Two words serve both to explain and emphasize the relation, viz.: SERVICE and SUPPORT; Service on the part of the Recorder and Support on the part of the Baptists of the State.

For more than three-quarters of a century the Recorder has been faithful, efficient and abundant in its service to North Carolina Baptists. Fearlessly and ably it has defended our principles, and always the prophet in our advancement and the discoverer of our institutions and enterprises. Every Baptist endeavor bears the marks of the Recorder's service. And not least important of the benefits growing out of its service has been the forming of our Baptist people into a compact brotherhood, united in methods and aims for the advancement of the Kingdom. The Recorder, though owned by a stock company, is not a private enterprise, but the state-wide servant of North Carolina Baptists.

The Recorder merits and should have more hearty support on the part of the Baptists of the State. It can increase in efficiency of service only as increased support is given it, and not until it makes its weekly visits to every home in the State in which there is a Baptist can it perform its greatest possible service. Your committee believes that inducing our Baptist people to subscribe for and read the Biblical Recorder is a service worthy of all our pastors and church workers.

Respectfully submitted, A. W. Setzer.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by A. W. Setzer.

The report was adopted.

J. D. Harte reads the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board located at Richmond, Va., is a committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention to carry on this, our foreign mission work, by the co-operation of all our churches and in behalf of all our people.

It is our work. One member of the Board lives in each state and is called the State Vice-President. A representative of the Board lives in every Association. He is expected to confer with the Board and with the churches in the interest of the work. At the present meeting of the body this Association is expected to elect this Representative of the Foreign Mis. Board to serve until the next meeting of the Association.

Our present fields are Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Africa, Japan and China.

The present number of missionaries is 271. The native workers have been increased to 577, making a total of 848. The 342 native churches are growing in self-support and missionary efforts. The 422 Sunday schools are doing aggressive work. Nine Women's Training Schools have 312 students and ten theological schools have 245 students. These with the other 208 schools of all grades have 6,156 pupils. In six hospitals and thirteen dispensaries, thirteen medical missionaries treated 51,796 patients during the year. Four publishing plants are sending out millions of pages of religious literature.

The contributions for 1911-12 were $580,408, a gain of $70,400 over the previous year. Of this amount 12 per cent was used for expenses at home as follows: In Richmond, 5 per cent; W. M. U., 1 per cent; interest, 2 1-2 per cent; State expenses, 3 1-2 per cent. This percentage of expenses is larger than the Board wants it to be. Our people can reduce it very much by sending their money all through the year. so as to save the interest account. Let it also be remembered that a large part of the money used at home is expended in efforts to arouse our people and increase contributions.

The Southern Baptist Convention asked the churches to raise $618,000 for foreign missions this year. Every dollar of it is needed to meet past obligations and maintain the work on a hopeful basis. The Convention apportioned this amount among the various states, and the amount asked of each state is apportioned among the associations. It is very important that this Association, either through its executive committee or a special committee, apportion the amount asked of it among the churches.

One hundred years ago Adoniram Judson and Luther Rice went out to India as Congregational missionaries. By the study of the Bible they became Baptists. This fact aroused the Baptists of America to undertake foreign missions in an organized

way.

The most significant advance ever offered by the Southern Baptist Convention took place when the Oklahoma meeting last May authorized the Foreign Mission Board to raise one million, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as an Equipment Fund in honor of Judson Centennial. One million dollars of this to be used for equipping our schools and publication work. Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to be used for building chapels, hospitals, and missionary homes. This is a mighty call, but it is made to a mighty people. This fund is to be raised during the next three years. It is to be entirely separate from the regular foreign mission offerings and the effort will be made to secure it in such a way as not to interfere with any other cause.

We recommend: 1. That all our people help in our foreign mission work by sympathy and prayer; by subscribing for and reading the Foreign Mission Journal; by distributing tracts which can be had for the asking; by making our offerings as large as possible; by sending in their gifts now and not waiting for the season of pressure in March and April, and we again urge the importance of Mission Study Classes.

2. That we solemnly pledge ourselves to do our part to raise the amount of $1,250.00 which has been asked of our Association this year.

On motion to adopt, the subject was discussed by J. D. Harte and E. N. Johnson.

The report was adopted.

R. D. Carroll reads and moves the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Association, now in session, does once again, most urgently request all the churches to send all their funds for missions to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C., and the funds for the orphanage to S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C., and bring absolutely no money to the Association but the minute fund.

The resolution was adopted.

David P. Dellinger makes a motion relative to the election of members of the Executive Committee.

The motion was tabled until the Executive Committee makes its report.

By motion, the Moderator appoints a committtee of three to report nominations for board of Trusetees, as follows: A. W. Setzer, I. T. Newton and D. E. Vipperman.

W. C. Mullen submits the following:

TREASURER'S REPORT, AUDITED.

To balance on hand .....$ 13.78

To collection for Orphanage	6.15
To collection by R. D. Carroll	42.38
To amount from Finance Committee	341.27
To amount from Bethel Church for Orphanage	2.11
To amount collected at Union Meeting	12.00
To amount from Mt. Zion Church	34.63
Total	$451.32
By amounts paid out, as per vouchers	$431.03
Balance on hand	$38.29

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Mullen, Treas.

We have audited the above report and find it correct.
S. J. Honeycutt,
J. T. Ervin,
Auditing Committee.

The report was received.

Dr. J. C. Whiteside reads the report on

PLACE AND PREACHER.

We, the committee appointed on Preacher and Place for next session of the Association, beg leave to say that three churches asked for it, viz: Macedonia, Hickory Grove, and Mt. Holly. After due consideration, we recommend the following:

Place—Mt. Holly.
Preacher—J. J. Beach.
Alternate—W. P. Campbell.

Respectfully,
J. C. Whiteside,
Laban Abernethy,
A. M. Harrill,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

S. J. Honeycutt, for J. J. Beach, reads the report on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

So far as your committee is informed the spiritual condition of the churches of South Fork Association is fairly good. Nearly all of them have had good revivals and accessions by baptism.

As the reports from the various churches are read we are convinced that most of the churches are sadly behind in scriptural plans of giving and we look upon this as being the cause of destitution in the work and lack of funds in extending the Lord's Kingdom in the earth.

Another cause of inefficiency in our work is the failure of those who remove near another Baptist church to carry membership with them and enter into the work at place to which they remove. We think the churches and preachers should insist on members taking membership to place to which they re-

move. J. J. Beach.

The report was amended and adopted.

The committee appointed submits the

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to report that we have made the following collections, which were turned over to the Treasurer of the Association, viz.:

For Minutes	$ 54.50
Foreign Missions	33.71
Home Missions	28.78
State Missions	50.23
Associational Missions	17.92
S. S. Missions	1.44
Orphanage	33.03
Old Ministers Relief	11.16
Total	$230.93

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. Armstrong, Chairman.

The report is adopted.

R. D. Carroll makes a motion that the Clerk take $12.00 out of the minute fund for his pay for getting out the minutes.

The motion carried.

By motion, the Association adjourns until 7:30 to night Prayer by J. D. Harte.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION.

After song, "Blest be the Tie," the Association was called to order and was led in prayer by E. G. Andrews.

Bro. E. F. Middleton was recognized and welcomed to a seat in the Association.

A. W. Setzer, for the committee appointed, reads report for

NOMINATIONS FOR TRUSTEES.

Your committee appointed to recommend six brethren to select from to fill the two vacancies on the Board of Trustees of South Fork Institute, beg to report the following brethren: D. P. Dellinger, W. C. Barrett, J. T. Ervin, J. A. Whitener, S. W. Bennett, and Thos. J. Ramseur.

A. W. Setzer,
I. T. Newton.
D. E. Vipperman.

The report was adopted.

D. E. Vipperman reads the following:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

At our Association last year we had an equal number of churches and Sunday schools represented. All the Sunday schools with the exception of eight were opened every Sunday.

We have (54) fifty-four churches in our Association with a membership of (6,578) six thousand five hundred and seventy-eight, and (43) forty-three Sunday schools with an enrolment of (4,135) four thousand one hundred and thirty-five. There are (11) eleven churches with a membership of (472) four hundred and seventy-two without a Sunday school. Three thousand four hundred and fifty-seven of our members are in Sunday school while three thousand one hundred and twenty-five are outside. The forty-three Sunday schools had an average attendance of five hundred and fifty seven, and one hundred and eleven baptisms.

Through the evolution of the Hebrew Synagogue the family circle, the home altar, the organic life, the statistical life and Sunday school literature we have come into the Sunday school of today. But if the Sunday school is to attain the ide as a Child of Heaven it must be more faithful to the divine requirements. We are not to stress less the organization idea, but emphasize more the chief characteristics. Our Sunday schools need a vision. The greatest defect of the Sunday school today is inattention. Our teachers need to feel more the divine call, our officers the dignity of their office. The end of the Sunday school is Heaven, the ideal Christ, the object—His Word, the beauty—His business. Christian business in soul winning. Christian business in missions and in Sunday school management and government.

Inform the children or undertake the impossible reforming of the man. We must get our hands on the brain and heart of the Sunday school.

Our ideal in Sunday school work is:

(1) Better Sunday school equipment.
(2) Better Sunday school organization.
(3) Better Sunday school preparation.
(4) Every teacher a called teacher.
(5) Every teacher a trained teacher.
(6) Every church a Sunday school receiving new scholars, issuing certificates of membership stating that the officers and teachers are glad of them, and are willing to co-operate with them and their parents in leading them to Christ and in the development of their moral and Christian character.
(8) A Sunday school institute, or brief conference in connection with every union meeting of the Association.

Respectfully submitted, D. E. Vipperman.

The report was discussed by D. E. Vipperman and Bro. E. L. Middleton.

By motion the report was adopted.

I. T. Newton submits the report on Home Missions:

HOME MISSIONS.

The increase in the needs of our Home Board is not so much

in point of territory as in more intense and more diversified conditions.

An abnormal increase in population intensifies the condition of vice and godliness, especially when this increase in population is largely by foreigners who exploit all kinds of religious isms and un-American ideas of government.

These conditions obtain today in our larger Southern cities.

This is regarded as the greatest problem confronting the Home Board.

Added to this are the departments of general evangelism, mountain schools, work among the nine million negroes of the South, and among the two hundred and seventy-two thousand Indians, fifty thousand of whom have never heard of Christ.

For all these departments more workers are needed, and for the support of these workers, increased contributions.

Sympathy for the work of the Home Board has greatly increased in recent years. Notably is this true in our own State.

Five hundred thousand is the financial basis of the work this year. Of this amount North Carolina is asked to contribute thirty-five thousand.

For information on this work the Home Field, published at Atlanta, Ga., 35 cents per copy, or in clubs of 5 or more 25 cents very admirably meets this condition. In addition the Board publishes tracts and leaflets which may be had for the asking.

Respectfully submitted, I. T. Newton.

The report was discussed by I. T. Newton, R. D. Carroll and E. N. Johnson.

The report was adopted.

R. D. Carroll makes a motion that J. D. Harte be elected as the Association's representative on the Foreign Mission Board.

The motion carried.

By motion the Association adjourned until 9:30 A. M. tomorrow.

Prayer by R. D. Carroll.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. F. Hudson.

The Moderator calls the Association to order. Prayer by C. M. Ervin.

By motion, the Association went into the election of a representative on the State Mission Board.

W. A. Graham and J. D. Elliott were placed in nomination The vote was taken by ballot, J. D. Tlliott receiving the majority vote, was declared elected as our representative on the Board.

By vote, it was decided to have no Union meeting embracing the 5th Sunday in December, as it was during the holidays.

J. D. Harte, for the Trustees, reads the following recommendation:

The Trustees of the South Fork Institute recommend that the Association instruct Principal S. J. Honeycutt to take the field at once in a campaign of five weeks among all the churches for the liquidation of the debt on the school property; and that our pastors and members be urged to give Bro. Honeycutt their earnest support in this work.

By motion, the Association adopts the recommendation.

G. P. Abernethy, for S. J. Bennett, reads the following:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Mission Board, organized at Greenville in March, 1830, has made a record, without which our State would not occupy the prominent place in Christian history which she holds today. It would be interesting to sketch the work of this Board for three-quarters of a century, but a far more brief report will have to suffice for the present.

Last year our Board raised $48,990.00, supported 152 missionaries, who preached at 352 points, received into the church by baptism 1921 members, by letter 14,27, making additions of 3,348. Ten churches were organized, fifty church buildings were in course of construction, and fourteen buildings were completed.

Our Mission churches contributed last year as follows: to pastor's salary $25,432.05, to church-building fund $32,510.51, to objects of the convention $11,021.66, other objects $5,011.42—a grand total of $73,975.74. This is $27,444.92 more than the entire denomination gave for State Missions in the same year.

This year our Board is operating on a basis of $50,000. We have this year 153 missionaries. Many points heretofore aided by the Board, have surrendered their help in favor of more needy fields.

As a church-building agency, the Board has had marked success; starting three years ago with a capital of $5,000 furnished by the Woman's Missionary Society, about twenty churches have been aided, thereby increasing the valuation of our denomination's property in the State at least $50,000.

An Experiment—The State and Home Boards have agreed to unite in employing two or three men to aid the pastors in conducting Associational campaigns, and holding Missionary Institutes in the churches. We recommend that our pastors cooperate heartily with this movement, where they have opportunity.

A need in our State work, emphasized in the past and needing emphasis today, is the organization of our country churches into more compact fields, enabling pastors to do more effective work and the State Board to more wisely expend its money.

It is an evident fact that all the enterprises of the denomination are affected very materially by our State Board. Therefore the period of prosperity which we now enjoy, our State and Church patriotism, loyalty to our denomination, gratitude to our State Board, obedience to our Master ,and our own best interest, all summon us unitedly, by the work of our own State.

Finally, in view of the present embarrassing condition of our State Board, we recommend, that every church in our Association be given the opportunity of making one more offering to State Missions before our State Convention meets.

Respectfully submitted, S. W. Bennett.

On motion to adopt, the subject was ably discussed by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

Song—"We'll Work 'Till Jesus Comes."

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appoints the following brethren to write the several reports for next session of the Association:

Foreign Missions—J. D. Harte.
Home Missions—R. D. Carroll.
State Missions—W. C. Barrett.
Woman's Work—S. W. Bennett.
Sunday Schools—W. P. Campbell.
Biblical Recorder—David P. Dellinger.
Education—J. J. Beach.
Old Ministers Relief—W. F. Huggins.
Obituaries—C. M. Ervin.

S. J. Honeycutt subits the following report:

OBITUARIES.

On the 27th day of June, 1912, Sister W. M. Annas died very suddenly at her home at Long Island. Sister Annas had been a member of Olivet Church for ten years. She was a good wife, good mother, and a good neighbor. She leaves a husband, five children and many friends to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Livie Byon, wife of Ivey Byon, died on the 18th day of September, 1912. She had been a member of Olivet Church for eight years. In her illness, she was a patient sufferer, never complaining, and gave comfort to those she left behind by expressing a faith in her readiness to "Dpeart and be with Christ."

Mrs. Vina Elizabeth Ervin, widow of the late Thos. H. Ervin, departed from this life into heavenly rest on the 14th day of December, 1911. She was in her seventy-fourth year. Sister Ervin was a consecrated mother in Israel, being devoted to her church. Her going, to her, was not a regret, but more like going to see loved ones. Her husband had preceded her to heaven about five years. Thos. H. Ervin was one of the pioneers of the Baptist cause in this part of the State. He had filled the offices of preacher and deacon during his long life of usefulness, being eighty-three years old at his death, and was buried on

his birthday. He was a father of a large family of children, who are following in the faith of their father, one being a preacher. They are all workers in the church he loved so well.

Otis Moody was born in Wight County, Va., December 6th. 1889, and died in Maiden, N. C., March 9th, 1912, age 22 years and 4 months. At his death he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hickory, and a young member of much promise. His brethren loved him, and now greatly miss him.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

In behalf of the student body of South Fork Institute, I beg leave to make the following statement: On March 9th, 1912, the Lord, in His wisdom, came into our midst and took unto Himself, our beloved fellow student and companion, Otis B. Moody. Bro. Moody was one of our ministerial students, wonderfully talented and highly esteemed by us all. One night about two weeks before he became sick, he remained up till 2:30 o'clock. When he was asked the next day why he stayed up so late, he answered and said, "I was reading the life of Yates, the missionary, and struggling with the problem of going to the foreign field." A few days later, he decided to go to the foreign field. But soon, he was not, for God took him.

G. P. Abernethy.

The question was beautifully and tenderly discussed by J. D. Harte.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 1:30 P. M. Prayer by J. A. Hoyle.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

After song and prayer by Rev. C. H. Curtis, pastor of the Maiden Methodist Church, the Moderator called the Association to order.

Rev. Mr. Curtis and Rev. E. S. Whisnant were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association.

David P. Dellinger moves the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Association are due and hereby tendered the good people of Maiden and community, irrespective of denomination, for the hospitable and royal manned in which they have entertained this session of the Association.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

R. L. Smith reads the report on

AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

It is the unnatural heritage of man that he shall become feeble when he is old. Ministers of the Gospel are no exception to this rule. Our aged fathers in the ministry have fought a

good fight. They have stood as mighty bulwarks of power against the oncoming tide of sin; and Christ through them, has left for us, as their successors in the work a blazed trail, a highway of success, an open door of opportunities unparalleled.

It is not, however, because of their unselfish labors that we would help them in their old age—albeit that is reason enough —but because they are our brethren. Their sun is setting; their day of labor is done. Let us, therefore, rise up in our loyalty to the cause of our Master and support them with words of love and substantial deeds of kindness. Let us see to it that they, of all men, are comfortably cared for; and that their declining years are made brighter than the former ones have been; and finally, brethren, let us show them that we as young people are their truest earthly friends.

The subject was discussed by R. L. Smith and W. R. Bradshaw. Bro. Bradshaw said it was due to say in this connection that 35 old ministers are being supported in the State by the Aged Ministers Relief Fund.

R. D. Carroll suggested that the various churches make the aged ministers a Christmas present in cash or kind.

The report was adopted.

David P. Dellinger moves the adoption of the following

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Clerks of all the churches are hereby requested to send the names of their delegates to the chairman of the Committee on Hsopitality at least a week, if possible, before the meeting of the Association for convenience in assigning homes.

The resolution was adopted.

J. D. Harte reads the following:

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Executive Committee beg to submit the following:

The committee has endeavored to conform its work to that of the State Mission Board, namely, to give the preference in recommendations to those applications in which two or more churches group themselves together to form a field with a view to calling a pastor for all his time, and locating him on the field.

In this work of grouping churches into fields, we try to encourage at least one strong church to become the center of the field, the rest of the field being composed of weak churches, or mission points.

Thus we apporpriated largely to the Olivet and West Hickory and Newton fields. It is the aim of the committee to reduce the amounts given to these fields each year until we shall find them self-supporting fields. So your committee serves notice that this work of grouping churches will be continued until the good day shall come when every church and every point of des-

titution shall find itself tied to a self-supporting field.

This policy of grouping churches into fields is the same that the State Mission Board is pursuing all over the State. And the Board is requiring the Executive Committees of all the Associations to bend every effort to group churches into fields. Bro. Bradshaw's most pressing duty and that of Bro. Johnson and the Board is this work of grouping churches and mission points into fields, and locating a pastor on the field for all his time.

The Board is more disposed to give help to such a field as this, rather than to unrelated points, although such places are destitute and worthy of help.

The following appropriations for the year were made:

1.	The West Hickory field, including West Hickory, Brookford and East Hickory.....	250.00
2.	The Newton field—Newton, Startown, Piney Grove, and Cedar Grove	200.00
3.	The Olivet field— Olive, Catawba, Bethel in South Yadkin	200.00
4.	Beattie's Ford	50.00
5.	Maysworth	50.00
6.	Spencer Mountain	50.00
	Total	$800.00

Our Association gave to State Missions $826.00 and the State Board gave back to us $800.00 of this.

Your committee aims to ask of the State Board not more than 60 per cent of the amount we give the Board.

Applications for appropriations should be duly made by vote of the church, or by individual brethren who know of places within our bounds where a work might be hopefully prospected.

We urge gifts of $1,000.00 to State Missions for the coming year.

J. D. Elliott,
J. Yates Killian,
R. S. Lewis,
J. D. Harte,
J. J. Beach,
H. B. Moore,
Treas. J. Ramseur.

The report was discussed by J. D. Harte, J. A. Hoyle and A. W. Setzer.

In his speech A. W. Setzer offers a resolution.

The Moderator rules the resolution out of order.

J. D. Harte rises to a question of personal privilege. The report was discussed by W. C. Mullen.

David P. Dellinger calls for the previous question.

By vote the question carried.

David P. Dellinger moves to adopt the following

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That R. S. Lewis, J. Yates Killian and H. B. Moore be re-elected members of the Executive Committee to succeed themselves.

A. W. Setzer moves to lay the resolution on the table. The motion to table carried.

J. A. Hoyle moves the adoption of the Setzer resolution which the Moderator previously ruled out of order, to-wit:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that the Executive Committee should recommend no appropriation of State Missions funds to any country church which is able to pay a competent pastor for one-fourth his time.

The resolution was discussed by J. A. Hoyle, A. W. Setzer, W. R. Bradshaw and others.

As the discussions seemed to refer to Olivet Church, the Moderator called W. R. Bradshaw to the chair, and in a sweet tempered way showed that Olivet was not selfish in the matter, and stood ready to do her part.

By motion, the resolution was tabled.

J. D. Harte nominates the following as members of the Executive Committee: R. S. Lewis, J. Yates Killian, and H. B. Moore.

There being no further business, the Clerk read the minutes of the day, and the same were adopted.

J. A. Hoyle moves that the South Fork Association do now adjourn to meet with Mount Holly Church on Thursday, before the 4th Sunday in October, 1913, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Motion carried, and after a song and the usual parting handshake, and benediction by Rev. E. S. Whisnant, the Moderator declared the Association adjourned.

J. F. Click, Clerk. Osborne Brown, Moderator.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOLLOWING.

Saturday night—Sermon by R. L. Smith. Text John 4:38.

Sunday at 11 A. M., Rev. J. L. Smith preached in the Methodist church, and Rev. G. L. Mullis preached in the Baptist church. At this service a collection was taken for the Old Ministers' Relief Board, amounting to $7.65. At 7:30, Rev. J. J. Waldrop preached in the Baptist church. Text Mat. 5:13. Benediction by E. S. Whisnant.

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be known as the South Fork Association.
2. Its object shall be to educate men called of God to the ministry and approved by the church to which they belong; to support the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of workship; to encourage the study of the Bible in the Sunday Schools, and to cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.
3. It shall be composed of delegates annually elected by their respective churches, each church entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty, provided no church have more than five. The pastors of the churches in the Association shall be recognized as delegates.
4. Its officers shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot.
5. There shall be an Executive Committee of seven persons, who shall have supervision of all business pertaining to the work of the Association. They shall be elected by the body in two groups, one to be elected each year and to serve two years.
6. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Association.
7. That any member of this Association attending any sister Association, shall be considered a delegate to the same.
8. This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in October, at 11 a. m. The Introductory sermon to be preached immediately before organization.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. The delegates shall be called each day previous to proceeding to business.
3. The hour for business shall be—Meet at 9:30 a. m., adjourn at pleasure unless otherwise ordered.
4. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, but may designate some one to take his place, if he wishes to vacate the chair.
5. The presiding officer shall enforce order in accordance with "Mell's Parliamentary Practice."
6. The Clerk shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Association, and superintend the printing of the minutes.

TEMPERANCE RESOLTTION (1881)

Resolved, First, we recommend that every church, for the good of the cause of Christianity, discountenance in its members the aiding in the manufacture, sale, or use of any kind of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and if after being admonished, they will not refrain, the church should expel them.

Resolved, Second, That we will as an Association, withdraw our fellowship from all such churches as will not observe the rules.

This resolution shall be read by the Clerk annually during the session of the Association. (1886).

CHURCHES	ADDITIONS BY				DEMINATIONS BY				PRESENT NUMBER				
	Bapti	Letter	Restoration	Total	Letter	Exclusion	Death	Total	Gain	Loss	Male	Female	Total
Alexis	7	5		12	4	1	1	6	6		46	45	91
Amity	1	3		4		1	1	2	2		24	35	59
Belmont	13	17	5	35	8		2	10	25		68	90	158
Beulah	1	1		2			1	1	1		15	22	37
Bethel	3	9	2	14	2			2	12		33	52	85
Bruington	21	3	3	27	4		1	5	22		44	41	85
Brookford	17	6		23	15	35		50		27			78
Cedar Grove	2			2					2		8	15	23
Corinth	1	3	3	7	4	8	3	11		4	48	80	128
Catawba	11	5		16					16		27	39	66
Dallas	13	8		21	9			9	12		55	66	121
East Belmon	4	2		6					6		9	19	21
East Gastonia	47	12	7	66	22	2	2	26	40		92	245	337
Gastonia First	1	57	1	59	17	3		20	39		143	205	348
Faith											19	15	34
Hickory First	14	29	2	45	20		4	24	21		108	193	301
Hickory Grove	9	4		13	24	4	1	29		16	96	115	211
High Shoals	3	22		25	38		1	39		14	31	51	82
Kid's Chapel					4			4		4	26	49	75
Leonard's Fork		2		2	5	2		7		5	28	51	79
Lincolnton Ave.	6	9		15	11			11	4		31	59	90
Lincolnton First	11	15	9	34	17	24		41		7	66	101	167
Long Creek	11	4	2	17	6	3	1	10	7		65	92	158
Lowell	7	3		10	5	4		9	1		43	87	130
Loray	8	37		45	67	3	2	72		27	102	157	259
Lawing's Chapel	3	17		20	8	5	1	14	6		66	64	130
Macedonia	14	4	2	20	3		1	4	16		92	112	204
Mayesworth	3	1		4	12	1		13		9	15	16	31
Maiden	6	17	2	25	20	3	1	24	1		90	99	189
McAdensville	8	11	1	20	15			15	5		69	142	211
Mtn. Grove		3									37	40	77
Mt. Holly	8	20	1	29	10		3	13	16		52	104	156
Mt. Ruhama	10	2	1	13	11	5	2	18		5	107	145	252
Mtn. View	14	1	2	17	3	1	2	6	11		33	55	88
Mt. Zion	1	4	3	8	24		3	27		19	72	109	181
Newton	15	10		25	8	2	2	12	13		48	64	112
Olivet	15	7	2	24	5		2	7	17		80	120	200
Piney Grove		2		2	3	1		4		2	16	28	44
Providence II	4	2	1	8	4	3	1	8	0	0	31	54	85
Penelope	7	6	1	14		1		1	13		17	29	46
River View		11		11	22	2		24		23			159
Reepsville	6	6	1	13	2	4	1	7	6		17	16	33
Sandy Plains	17	1	1	19	10		1	11	8		58	88	146
Salem		1	1	2	4	3	1	8		6	40	66	106
Startown											4	13	17
Sharon	3	2		5	3		1	4	1		26	41	67
Spencer Mtn.	19	8	2	29		3		3	26		25	40	65
Thessalonica		3									8	18	26
Tuckaseege	7	6	1	14		2	1	3	11				82
Warlick's		1		1	1	3		4		3	34	86	120
West Hickory	26	42	1	69	6		1	7	62				118
Webb's Chapel						5	1	6		6			29
Totals	397	444	58	892	456	134	45	631	428	177	2264	3473	6203

NOTE: Three churches did not report membership.—Clerk.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Totals
Alexis	85 00	60 00	5 00	8 00		70	30 00	188 70
Amity	20 00							20 00
Belmont	300 00	6500 00	25 92	20 00	21 50	1 70	24 90	6894 02
Beulah	45 00			8 00		25		53 25
Bethel	50 00		2 40			40		52 80
Bruington	200 00	76 65	47 85	14 40		1 10		340 00
Brookford	100 00	111 00	15 86	37 70	13 90	1 00	36 70	316 16
Cedar Grove	25 00					50		25 50
Corinth	100 00			13 35	1 00	60		114 95
Catawba	100 00					1 00		101 00
Dallas	435 00		34 68	57 19	52 60	1 00	100 00	680 47
East Belmont		16 50		6 00		40		22 90
East Gastonia	1040 00	367 50	71 22	45 74	42 21	2 50	145 00	1714 17
Faith	50 00					50	11 11	61 61
Gastonia First	1375 00	855 74	264 91	178 09	31 93	3 00	451 90	3160 57
Hickory First	1400 00	13 45	657 95	333 92	119 54	5 00	81 00	2610 86
Hickory Grove	158 35	40 00	45 75	15 06		80		259 96
High Shoals	158 94	13 95	7 42	48 00		70	7 65	236 69
Kid's Chapel	100 00	4 40	1 20	5 10		55	12 35	123 60
Leonar's Fork	80 00		15 19	6 29		1 00		102 48
Lincolnton Ave.	111 92	135 80	32 15	36 60	1 35	1 65		319 47
Lincolnton First	900 00	111 00	123 68	60 42	12 50	2 00	43 67	1253 27
Long Creek (Long Shoals)	250 00			17 50		1 60	20 00	288 50
Lowell (Lucia Not Rep.)	215 20	176 89		40 30		65	63 08	496 12
Loray	700 31	136 72	92 49	45 03	7 00	2 00	36 53	1020 08
Lawing's Chapel	81 00	55 00	1 00	37 50		1 30	20 00	195 80
Macedonia	185 95		60 00			1 20		246 15
Maysworth	69 66			7 60				77 26
Maiden			3 00	20 00				23 00
McAdensville	164 28		46 96	48 97	3 50	70	96 11	360 52
Mtn. Grove	100 00		6 00			1 50	20 00	127 50
Mt. Holly	460 16	200 08	181 33	49 51	16 00	2 60	44 50	953 58
Mt. Ruhama	106 00			9 80		2 60		118 40
Mtn. View	50 00			7 00	3 00	60		60 60
Mt. Zion	125 00			2 50		75	22 50	150 75
Newton	250 00	130 30	46 15	85 00	8 27	2 20	56 25	578 17
Olivet	300 00	500 00	9 30	115 14	5 50	2 00	12 00	943 94
Piney Grove	40 00		11 80	6 00		50	20 00	78 30
Providence I								
Providence II	75 00					70	36 00	105 70
Penelope	83 68		18 25	24 81	2 50	90		130 14
River View	150 00		7 17	15 00		1 00		173 17
Reepsville	38 40	2 00	2 00	4 70		60	6 30	54 00
Sandy Plains	250 00	60 00	3 00	28 00	13 00	2 30		356 30
Salem	80 06		10 50	12 00		50	50 00	159 06
Startown	75 75					50	3 00	79 25
Sharon						60		60
Spencer Mtn.	100 00			50 11	3 45	70		154 26
Thessalonica	25 00					20		25 20
Tuckaseege	59 40	553 08	13 40	75 81	14 30	50	10 08	726 57
Warlick's	66 00			2 00	10 00	45	15 00	93 45
West Hickory	86.40	12 90	26 08	40 28	25 00	1 00	48 78	240 44
Webb's Chapel	42 70			55				43 25
Total	11070 16	10122 96	1839 61	1635 97	408 05	55 00	1524 41	26712 41

CHURCHES	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Ministers Relief	Totals
Alexis		4 75	4 00	6 00		6 00		10 00		30 75
Amity	13	2 00		2 00		2 00				6 13
Belmont	10 00	29 17	45 00	33 29		59 14		4 81	3 42	184 83
Beulah		1 00	1 00			1 00				3 00
Bethel		4 00				2 11				6 11
Bruington		8 95	7 45	7 45						23 85
Brookford		18 17	8 01	19 61		31 45		2 50		79 84
Cedar Grove		5 00	2 00	3 63		1 00			66	12 29
Corinth		19 40	10 00	11 40		5 00		2 00	3 60	51 40
Catawba		14 15		2 25		5 00			85	22 25
Dallas		24 20	25 60	63 00		66 29				178 49
East Belmont		1 85				1 88				3 73
East Gastonia		29 75	28 75	39 03		105 35				202 88
Faith		14 40	2 05	1 35						17 80
Gastonia First		201 03	138 41	220 26	17 28	216 62	192 45	46 21	30 12	1062 38
Hickory First		285 13	156 35	174 57		611 56	313 00	10 00	6 50	1557 11
Hickory Grove	5 50	5 00	5 00	20 00		10 00			1 50	47 00
High Shoals		9 47	16 64	6 35		16 48		2 35	3 50	54 79
Kid's Chapel		4 87	2 50	10 60		22 75		1 15	3 15	45 02
Leonard's Fork		9 00	7 00	7 00		8 80				31 80
Lincolnton Ave.		4 52	3 00	3 00						10 52
Lincolnton First		85 78	44 50	51 25		92 31	217 50	6 10	10 00	507 44
Long Creek (Long Shoals)		9 28	7 42	7 42	1 85	7 42			3 71	37 10
Lowell (Lucia)		9 98	8 10	10 37		3 60		3 85	3 15	39 05
Loray		19 41	5 00	6 26		26 22	3 00		9 70	69 59
Lawing's Chapel		5 00	5 00	9 65		7 50		8 00	1 60	36 75
Macedonia			2 00	3 10		3 00				8 10
Mayesworth		3 80		3 80		12 00				19 60
Maiden	2 00	1 00		4 73		1 46			3 00	12 19
McAdensville		5 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	5 00				45 00
Mtn. Grove		29 43	5 00	8 00		29 25		3 69	2 50	77 87
Mt. Holly		25 00	26 40	26 80		35 47			10 00	123 67
Mt. Ruhama		5 00	10 00	5 00	5 01	8 16				33 17
Mtn. View	4 00	2 00	1 00	2 00		2 00				11 00
Mt. Zion		13 37	20 00	11 00		3 63				48 00
Newton		30 55	23 80	28 25		30 71	10 50		1 40	125 21
Olivet		50 00	50 00	20 00	5 00			2 50	2 50	130 00
Piney Grove (Providence I)		5 50	3 00	2 80		3 16		2 28	1 50	18 24
Providence II			6 10	5 00		5 15			2 77	19 02
Penelope		7 65	4 75	5 80		8 85	3 00	2 50	1 11	33 66
River View	5 00	5 00	10 00	11 50		6 55			5 00	43 05
Reepsville		1 00		1 00		1 15				3 15
Sandy Plains		13 11	17 77	10 00		5 16	5 00			51 04
Salem	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 25		2 00				11 25
Startown		17 00	5 92	11 70		5 00		1 28	1 60	42 50
Sharon	1 77	2 00	1 00	1 00						5 77
Spencer Mtn.		14 53	3 33			10 98				28 84
Thessalonica		2 00	1 00	2 10		1 00		1 00	1 00	8 10
Tuckaseege						10 78				10 78
Warlick's	2 00	1 00	1 00			6 12			1 00	11 12
West Hickory		7 10	6 93	3 10		3 46		2 50	5 30	28 39
Total	32 40	1069 30	743 18	904 67	34 14	1509 52	744 45	112 62	120 04	5270 32

CHURCHES	When Organized	PASTORS	Seating Capacity	Value of Church Prop.	Sundays of Preaching	Church Clerk
exis	1903	G.P.Abernethy	350	$1200	1st Sun.	T. W. Garrison, Alexis
nity	1905	W. W. Rimmer	300	750	1st Sun.	J.S.McAllister, Linc'ton R.
lmont	1874	L. M. Hobbs	300	7000	2nd and 4th	A. A. Armstrong, Belmont
thel	1895	J. A. Hoyle	300	500	2nd Sun.	W. C. Mullen, Lincolnton
uington	1853	R. L. Smith	400	1200	3rd and 4th	A. C. Taylor, Stanley
ookford	1907	W. N. Cook	300	2000	2nd and 4th	T. C. Bright, Brookford
dar Grove	1902	R. D. Carroll	300	1200	4th Sun.	J. A. Whitener, Newton
rinth	1855	C. A. Caldwell	500	500	4th and Sat. before	G. W. Hood, Reepsville
tawba	1875	W. P. Campbell	300	2500	1st Sun.	D. L. Wike. Catawba
llas	1877	I. T. Newton	400	1200	2nd and 4th	J. R. Lewis, Dallas
st Belmont	1912	C. M. Ervin			1st Sun.	Robt. Perry, Belmont
st Gastonia	1901	J. J. Beach	600	4000	Ev. Sun.	M. T. Saunders, Gastonia
ith	1906	C. F. Hudson	300	1200	4th Sun.	R. E. Ballard, Iron Station
stonia First	1884	W. C. Barrett	600	25000	Ev. Sun.	R.A.Freneberger, Gastonia
bron	1883					
ckory First	1870	J. D. Harte	800	15000	Ev. Sun.	W. T. Sledge, Hickory
ckory Grove	1873	W. B. McClung	400	2000	4th Sun.	J. F. Abernethy, Lowell
gh Shoals	1902	R. D. Carroll	450	1000	2nd Sun.	R. J. Dellinger, H. Shoals
d's Chapel	1872	I. T. Newton	350	800	4th Sun.	W. A. Poole, Iron Station
onard's Fork	1882	G. W. Rollins	300	800		Wm. H. Hoover, Crouse
ncolnton Ave.	1911	W. W. Rimmer	300	700	4th Sun.	W.W. Caldwell, Lincolnton
ncolnton First	1859	S. W. Bennett	400	8000	Ev. Sun.	J. L. Mustian, Lincolnton
ng Creek	1772	H. B. Cronister	500	2000	1st and 3rd	A. R. Holland, Dallas
ng Shoals	1901					
well	1892	I. T. Newton	400	1200	1st Sun.	Jake Hendrix, Lowell
cia	1903					
ray	1905	J. D. Moose	500	6000	Ev. Sun.	A. H. Meachem, Gastonia
wing's Chapel	1907	G.P.Abernethy	500	1200	3rd Sun.	G. W. Huitt. Lincolnton
cedonia	1869	W. W. Rimmer	400	600	1st and 3rd	W. W. Lowing, Lincolnton
ysworth	1911	C. M. Ervin			1st Sun.	C. W. Medlock, Mayworth
iden	1891	J. A. Hoyle	400	1500	4th Sun.	L. S. Caldwell, Maiden
Adensville	1887	W. B. McClung	400	1000	2nd Sun.	M.A.Harwell,M'Adensville
n. Grove	1881	A. W. Setzer	400	2000	3rd Sun.	G. F. Huffman, Hickory
. Holly	1890	D.E.Vippermar	600	2700	1st and 3rd	R. F. Craig, Mt. Holly
. Ruhama	1816	C. A. Caldwell	400	500	2nd Sun.	F. H. Caldwell, Newton
n. View	1853	W. W. Rimmer	350	850	2d Sat & Sun	D. A. Gilleland, Denver
. Zion	1869	C. A. Caldwell	400	1000	3rd Sun	L. A. McClure, Alexis
wton	1882	R. D. Carroll	250	4000	1st and 3rd	S. T. Gaddy, Newton
vet	1833	W.P. Campbell	600	3000	2nd and 4th	J. T. Ervin, Catawba
ney Grove	1904	R. D. Carroll	300	1000	1st Sun.	Lee Setzer, Newton R. 2
ovidence I	1852					
ovidence II	1878	C. A. Caldwell	200	500	1st Sun.	R. L. Asherbraner, Henry 2
nelope	1888	W. N. Cook	300	1000	3rd Sun.	E. T. Lock, Hickory R 4
ver View	1897	C. F. Felmet	400	800	2nd Sun.	A. L. Cline, Southside
epsville	1899	J. J. Waldrop	250	500	4th Sun.	G.T.Woodard, Lincolnton 1
ndy Plains	1863	J. J. Beach	600	6000	3rd and 4th	N. A. Jenkins, Gastonia
lem	1847	C. F. Felmet	400	600	3rd Sun.	C. F. Clanton, Lincolnton
artown	1896	R. D. Carroll	300	500	4th Sun.	J. Y. Killian, Newton
aron	1884	J. A. Hoyle			2nd Sun.	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Sta.
ncer Mtn.	1909	J. M. Ballard	200	500	2nd Sun.	J. W. Wilkins, Lowell
essalonica	1830	A. W. Setzer	200	500	3rd Sun.	W. P. Rhoney, Newton R 1
ckaseege	1911	G. L. Mullis	300	300	4th Sun.	F. T. Hovis, Mt. Holly
arlick's	1875	C. F. Hudson	500	2000	1st Sun.	A. J. Cook, Hickory, R 4
est Hickory	1907	W. N. Cook	200	800		J. R. Pierce, Hickory R 4
ebb's Chapel	1892	J. P. Felmet				F. B. Carpenter, Crouse

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Post Offices	No. Schools	No. Months Kept Open	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	Average Attendance	No. Quartrilies Taken	No. Baptisms
Alexis	Steven Stroup, Alexis	1	12	6	100	106	40	96	7
Amity	S. T. Bollinger, Lincolnton R 3	1	3	6	44	50	31		1
Belmont	J A. Leeper, Lowell	1	12	7	75	82	60	425	7
Beulah	J. A. Costner, Henry, R 3	1	9	8	67	75	45	44	1
Bethel	E. M. Hull, Lincolnton	1	12	6	53	59	25	40	
Bruington	D. F. Hovis, Stanley	1	12	6	89	95	40	63	16
Brookford	E. M. Childers, Brookford	1	12	7	65	72			
Corinth	G. W. Hood, Reepsville	1	12	8	169	177		120	
Catawba	H. M. Croom, Catawba	1	12	5	45	50	40		10
Dallas	Q. E. Teague, Dallas	1	12	8	94	102	71	207	8
East Belmont	Brat Abernethy, Belmont	1	12	4	50	54	41	72	4
East Gastonia	C. B. Newton, Gastonia	1	12	14	390	404	185	450	41
Gastonia First	J. S. Wray, Gastonia	2	12	17	230	247	155		
Hickory First	J. D. Elliott, Hickory	1	12	23	250	273	185	2800	9
Hickory Grove	L. W. Allen, Stanley, R 1	1	12	10	113	123	72	130	9
High Shoals	L. W. Hartgrove, High Shoals	1	12	8	140	148	85	160	2
Kid's Chapel	Wm A. Whitener, Kidsville	1	12	7	41	48	33	48	
Leonard's Fork	T. F. Cornwell, Lincolnton	1	12	6	47	53		42	
Lincolnton Avenue	W. H. Lingerfelt, Lincolnton	1	12	7	145	152	85	95	4
Lincolntoe First	J. O. Allen, Lincolnton	1	12	9	128	137	73	197	6
Long Creek	A. R. Holland, Dallas	1	12	6	60	66	60	60	4
Lowell	Jacob Hendrix, Lowell	1	12	10	117	127	54	272	30
Loray	G. W. Cohn, Gastonia	1	12	12	314	326	123	600	6
Lawing's Chapel	J. A. Huitt, Lincolnton	1	12	8	112	120	68		2
Macedonia	L. P. Lawing, Iron Station	1	12	8	80	88	56	500	6
Maysworth	C. W. Medlock, Maysworth	1	12	4	30	34	30		3
Maiden	S. J. Honeycutt, Maiden	1	12	11	187	198	80	100	
McAdensville	M. A. Harwell, McAdensville	1	12	11	236	247	121	275	7
Mtn. Grove	C. S. Eckard, Hickory R 1	1	12	5	45	50	30	75	
Mt. Holly	J. E Mullis, Mt. Holly	1	12	9	160	169	91	120	8
Mt. Ruhama	M. C. Laney, Maiden R 1	1	12	12	128	140	58	116	1
Mtn. View	J. M. Lowe, Maiden R	1	6	7	100	107	50	72	8
Newton	S. T. Gaddy, Newton	1	12	11	120	131	75	200	12
Olivet	Osborne Brown, Long Island	1	12	6	154	160	92	240	15
Piney Grove	Lee Setzer, Newton R 2	1	12	5	64	69	41	75	
Providence II	W. F. Hoffman, Henry R 2	1	12	5	60	65	40	140	
Penelope	Thos. F. Hildebran, Hickory 4	1	12	7	75	82	34	143	5
River View	A. L. Cline, Southside	1	12	5	65	70			
Reepsville	Z. T Wise, Lincolnton R 1	1	6	5	34	39	29	40	6
Sandy Plains	J. E. C. Ford, Lowell	1	12	11	60	70	50	448	10
Salem	R. J. Dellinger, High Shoals	1	9	8	80	88	55	100	
Sharon	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Station	1	9	4	62	66	40		
Spencer Mtn.	J. R. Flowers, Lowell	1	12	6	60	66	56		12
Tuckaseege	F. T. Hovis, Mt. Holly	1		8	88	96	64		4
Warlick's	R. M. Perry Connelly Springs	1	9	4	40	44	35	50	
West Hickory	C. O. Deal, Hickory R 4.	1	12	7	169	176			16
Webb's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton	1		4	38	41	30		
	Total	48		381		5442			283

NOTE: Cedar Grove, Faith, Hebron, Long Shoals, Lucia, Mt. Zion, Providence First, Startown and Thessalonica failed to report Sunday Schools.—Clerk.

Hickory, N. C., October 2, 1912.

The fourth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Unoin of the South Fork Association was held in the First Baptist Church, Hickory, N. C.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P. M., by Mrs. J. Yates Killian, Vice-President.

Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was sung.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. Yates Killian, and all united in singing "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

On behalf of the W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church of Hickory, Mrs. W. R. Gwaltney most graciously welcomed the Union.

Miss Rosa Moose, of Newton, responded to the words of welcome on behalf of the Union.

The annual address of the Vice-President was enjoyed by all.

Roll call of societies, eighteen societies of the Association being represented.

"Personal Service in Our Communities" was an interesting discussion, led by Mrs. Carroll, assisted by Mrs. Bridges and Miss Eula Blackwood.

Mrs. J. D. Harte read an interesting paper on "The Responsibility of the W. M. S. for Junior Societies."

The Vice-President appointed the following committees:

Obituaries—Mrs. W. J. Clifford, Mrs. R. D. Carroll, Miss Eula Blackwood.

Time and Place—Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Miss Clara Smith, Miss Jane Bowen.

Nominations—Mrs. W. W. Clary, Mrs. M E. Bridges, Mrs. Kiser.

Plans of Work—Mrs. J. D. Harte, Mrs. Archie Grass.

Resolutions—Mrs. S. W. Bennett, Mrs. W. L. Killian, Mrs. Allen.

Mrs. R. D. Carroll and Mrs. L. M. Coffey were appointed a committee to send a telegram of love and sympathy to Mrs. Beeler Moore, Gastonia, N. C., whose illness preented her attending the meeting.

Closing prayer by Mrs. Bennett.

Adjourned.

Wednesday evening at 7:30 a very interesting program, called a "Missionary Pageant," was rendered.

From 9 to 9:30 Thursday morning ,in the Ladies' Parlor, "The Morning Watch" was observed.

The session was called to order at 9:30 by the Vice-President.

Singing, "Precious Name."

Telegram from Mrs. Moore received and read.

"How Firm a Foundation" was sung.

Minutes of the afternoon session read and approved.

Miss Clara Smith made a short talk on "Our Mission Fields and Program Making."

"The North Carolina Union and Church Building" was discussed by Mrs. Bennett.

Mrs. C. K. Dozier, returned missionary from Japan, told the Union of her work in that country.

"How to Measure up to the New Standard of Excellence" was told by Mrs. Clifford.

Noonday prayer, Mrs. Dozier.

Hymn, "Jesus Lover of My Soul," was sung

Mrs. Coffey read a paper on the Training School.

Mrs. W. J. Clifford presented the following report on Obituaries:

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE.

Little Marcel Heafner, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Heafner, after an illness of several weeks, was relieved of her suffering in January, 1912. She was the only daughter and the light of the household.

In her death the Lincolnton Sunbeams lost one ff its most promising members.

Mrs. N. A. Jenkins, of Sandy Plains Baptist Church, passed into eternity since the meeting last year of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association. She was a lovely and noble woman, possessing a beautiful Christian character. Her life was just at its heighth of usefulness, being at the time of her death the President of the Woman's Missionary Society of Sandy Plains Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. J. Clifford,
Mrs. R D. Carroll,
Miss Eula Blackwood,
Committee.

The report of Committee on Time and Place was presented by Mrs. L. M. Coffey.

REPORT OF TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee on Time and Place, recommend the first Wednesday in October, 1913, as the time, and Belmont as the place for holding the next meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. M. Coffey,

Miss Clara Smith,
Miss Jane Bowen,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Mrs. M. E. Bridges presented the report of Committee on Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Vice-President—Mrs. J. Yates Killian.

Assistant Vice-President—Mrs. W. J. Clifford.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Clara Smith.

Executive Committee—Mrs. J. D. Harte, Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Mrs. Beeler Moore.

Adopted.

The report of the Committee on Plans of Work was presented by Mrs. J. D. Harte, and after a brief discussion the same was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS OF WORK.

The Committee on Plans of Work would recommend for the Association—

1. That our watch-word be "Prayer."
2. That we strive for a deeper consecration, greater interest in missions, and an increased zeal in carrying on the worl of our societies.
3. That the Woman's Societies take as their special work for the year the encouragement and organization of Junior Societies.
5. That we seek to increase the number of subscriptions to "Our Mission Fields," "The Foreign Mission Journal," "The Home Field," etc.
5. That we seek to increase the number of tithers
6. That we seek to secure a regular contribution for missions from every woman, young woman and child in the church.
7. That we increase our Associational pledge 10 per cent, making the aim for the year $1,100.00.
8. That we adopt the Associational Standard of Excellence.
9. That we adopt an Annual Report Blank for the Association to be sent to the various societies before the Associational Meeting, in order that they may be returned to the Vice-President in time for the meeting.
10. That we urge our societies to bring or send their Associational Expense Fund to the Associational Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. D. Harte,
Mrs. Archie Grass,
Committee.

Mrs. S. W. Bennett presented the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1st. That the Union extend real thanks to the Baptists of Hickory for its very royal reception extended to all delegates and visitors.

2nd. To the Hospitality Committee for having provided such charming homes for all attending the Union.

3rd. To Mrs. W. R. Bradshaw and her co-workers for having rendered to such great delight and profit the very attractive Missionary Pageant.

4th. To our beloved missionary, Mrs. C. K. Dozier from Japan, for her presence and heart-to-heart talk.

5th. To the pastor and Rev. W. R. Bradshaw for their very kind consideration for our comfort and pleasure since we have been in the city.

6th. To our beloved President for having so presided as to make this the best meeting in the history of our Union.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. W. Bennett, Chairman.

After prayer, the fourth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church of Belmont, N. C., the first Wednesday in October, 1913. Clara Smith, Secretary.

DELEGATES TO THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE SOUTH FORK ASSOCIATION, HELD AT HICKORY, N. C., OCTOBER 2ND AND 3RD, 1912.

W. M. S. First Church, Gastonia—Mrs. W. W. Clary, Mrs. M. C. Thorne, Mrs. R. L. Garrison, Mrs. W. J. Clifford.

Sunbeams, First Church, Gastonia—Mrs. W. W. Clary.

W. M. S., East Gastonia—Mrs. Archie Grass, Miss Clara Smith.

Sunbeams, East Gastonia—Miss Clara Smith.

Y. W. A., First Church, Hickory—Miss Bertha Bradshaw.

W. M. S., First Church, Hickory—Mrs. W. R. Bradshaw, Mrs. W. H. Penny, Mrs. W. R. Gwaltney.

Sunbeams, First Church, Hickory—Mrs. J. D. Harte.

W. M. S., Lincolnton—Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Mrs. W. S. Bennett.

Y. W. A., Lincolnton—Mrs. S. W. Bennett, Miss Bagley.

Sunbeams, Lincolnton—Mrs. M. E. Bridges.

W. M. S., Newton—Mrs. J. Yates Killian, Mrs. R. D. Carroll, Miss Rose Moose, Miss Willie Coley

Sunbeams, Newton—Mrs. R. D. Carroll.

W. M. S., Belmont—Miss Janie Bowen.

W. M. S., West Hickory—Mrs. Henry Burch, Mrs. Florence Knouse.

Sunbeams, Startown—Mrs. W. L. Killian.

W. M. S., Sandy Plains—Mrs. Allen, Mrs. McAlister.

Sunbeams, Olivet—Miss Eula Blackwood.

MINUTES

of the

Thirty-Fifth Annual Session

of the

South Fork Baptist Association

Held With the
MT. HOLLY CHURCH
Mt. Holly, N. C.

October 23rd, 24th and 25th
1913

The next Session meets with Macedonia Church, Catawba County, N. C., on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1914, at 11 o'clock A. M.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator - - Osborne Brown, Long Island, N. C.
Vice-Moderator - - - J. D. Elliott, Hickory, N. C.
Clerk - - - - J. F. Click, Hickory, N. C.
Treasurer - - David P. Dellinger, Gastonia, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thos. J. Ramseur — J. J. Beach
R. S. Lewis — H. B. Moore
J. D. Harte — J. D. Elliott
J. Yates Killian

ORDAINED MINISTERS

W. B. McClure, Alexis, N. C.
W. C. Barret, Gastonia, N. C.
J. J. Beach " "
J. D. Moose " "
M. A. Adams, Newton, N. C.
J. D. Harte, Hickory, N. C.
C. M. Ervin, " "
W. N. Cook, " "
W. R. Bradshaw " "
J. F. Crisp, " "
R. G. Mace " "
C. A. Caldwell, Maiden, N. C.
H. B. Chronister, Lincolnton, N. C.
S. W. Bennett, " "
P. W. Bangle, " "
G. W. Rollins, Lincolnton, N. C.
J. A. Hoyle, Maiden, N. C.
A. W. Setzer, " "
C. A. Rhyne " "
G. P. Abernethy " "
J. J. Waldrop " "
D. E. Vipperman, Mt. Holly, N. C.
G. L. Mullis, " "
I. M. Hildebrand, Hildebran, N. C.
A. P. Bumgarner, McAdenville, "
J. M. Ballard, Alexis, N. C.
L. A. Bangle, Cherryville. N. C.
J. R. Pace, Catawba, N. C.
L. M. Hobbs, Belmont, N. C.
R. D. Smith, Stanley, N. C.
I. T. Newton, Dallas, N. C.
H. M. Groom, Catawba, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL SECTIONS

FIRST—Belmont, Dallas, Gastonia, East Gastonia, Loray, McAdenville, Maysworth, Lowell, Mt. Holly, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Bruington, Long Creek, Sandy Plains, High Shoals, Tuckasege.

SECOND—Lincolnton, Lincolnton Avenue, Sharon, Salem, Mt. Zion, Kidd's Chapel, Mt. View, Macedonia, Mt. Ruhama, Webb's Chapel, River View, Long Shoals, Bethel, Leonard's Fork, Alexis, Lucia, Faith, Lawing's Chapel.

THIRD—Hickory, Highland, Corinth, Newton, Maiden, Cedar Grove, Piney Grove, Catawba, Olivet, Providence I, Providence II, Thessalonica, Reepsville, Mtn. Grove, Penelope, Startown, Warlick's Chapel, Amity, West Hickory, Brookford.

The Association is not to meet in the same section two years in succession.

PROCEEDINGS.

South Fork Baptist Association met in its thirty-fifth annual session with Mt. Holly Baptist Church, Gaston County, at eleven o'clock, Thursday, October 23, 1913.

After song and praise service, the Association was called to order by Bro. Osborne Brown, Moderator of last session. Prayer by Rev. M. A. Adams.

After another song, the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. J. Beach. Text, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Mark 15:34.

The Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

On reassembling and song: "Blessed Assurance," and prayer by Rev. J. A. Hoyle, the Moderator called the Association to order.

The letters from the churches were called for. Thirty-six out of fifty-five answered the first roll call.

Delegates were enrolled for the session as follows:

Alexis—E. V. Senter, S. M. Stroup.

Amity—E. L. Ballard, S. L. Bolinger.

Belmont—L. M. Hobbs, J. P. Stowe, R. M. Gaston.

Bethel—W. C. Mullen.

Brookford—T. C. Bright.

Bruington—W. L. Morris, R. L. Smith.

Catawba—Represented by letter.

Cedar Grove—William Hudson, John Beard.

Corinth—Donald B. Whisnant.

Dallas—I. T. Newton, J. R. Lewis.

East Belmont—C. E. Houser, M. L. Abernethy.

East Gastonia—G. C. Moss, M. T. Saunders, Floyd Skidmore, W. C. Caldwell, C. B. Newton.

Faith—B. E. Ballard, W. H. Ballard.

Gastonia, First—W. J. Clifford, H. B. Moore, Joe S. Wray,

David P. Dellinger, W. C. Barrett.

Hebron—W. L. Beach, J. W. Ward.

Hickory, First—J. D. Harte, J. D. Elliott, J. F. Click, J. W. Bowles.

Hickory Grove—J. F. Abernethy, D. C. Abernethy, T. A. Lineberger, H. W. Abernethy.

Highland—C. M. Ervin, W. S. Robinson.

High Shoals—J. E. Cronister.

Kidd's Chapel—S. A. Whitener, W. S. Kidd.

Lawing's Chapel—J. A. Hewitt, D. E. Taylor, Arthur Keener.

Leonard's Fork—Luther Heavener, J. W. Hoover, M. H. Hoyle.

Lincolnton Ave—E. M. Hallman, Z. T. Wise.

Lincolnton, First—Thos. J. Ramsour, S. W. Bennett, J. O. Allen, R. L. Sigmon.

Long Creek—W. L. Davis, H. W. Jenkins, John Bell, E. S. Tritt.

Long Shoals—Not represented.

Loray—J. D. Moose, W. G. Nance, J. P. Horn, L. J. Waldrop, S. L. Smith.

Lowell—W. F. Huggins, J. W. Hansel, R. F. Harris.

Lucia—Not represented.

Macedonia—J. R. Link, D. A. Chapman, W. F. Lee, J. B. Ewing.

Maiden—S. J. Honeycutt, Thos. Cline, J. A. Hoyle.

MacAdensville—Laban Abernethy, E. F. Skidmore, T. L. Austin, John Skidmore, C. A. Caldwell.

Maysworth—Robert Hyatt.

Mountain Grove—Calvin Baker, J. B. Rockett, A. W. Setzer.

Mt. Holly—R. F. Craig, S. J. Skidmore, M. L. Fisher, M. A. Roper, W. W. Skidmore, D. W. Bumgarner, W. L. Bumgarner.

Mt. Ruhama—M. C. Laney, S. M. Abernethy, Hoyle Laney, Roy Williams.

Mountain View—H. P. Dellinger, G. B. Dellinger.

Mt. Zion—D. R. Barnett, C. Bradshaw.

Newton—Paul Adams, J. M. Coley, Fred Childers, M. A. Adams.

Olivet—J. R. Pace, Osborne Brown.

Penelope—I. M. Hilderbran, Lemuel Yoder.

Piney Grove—W. H. Drum.

Providence, First—Not represented.

Providence, Second—Max Burns.

Reepsville—Represented by letter.

River View—W. H. Caldwell, L. F. Caldwell, E. C. Smith.

Sandy Plains—S. E. Beatty, J. H. Huffman, J. E. C. Ford.

Salem—S. C. Garrison, Wm. Garrison, W. B. Huggins.

Sharon—N. A. Caldwell, L. A. Abernethy.

Spencer Mountain—J. F. Lowe, M. A. Hawkins, W. L. Smith.

Startown—J. Yates Killian.

Thessalonica—W. P. Rhoney, D. W. Ramsour.

Tuckaseege—J. H. Walker, R. A. Crouse, J. T. Smith.

Warlicks—Represented by letter.

Webb's Chapel—John Clippard, Ed Reep.

West Hickory—W. N. Cook, G. W. Branch, H. A. Burch.

After the call of churches, and a majority answering present, the Association, by motion, proceeded to the election of officers as follows: Moderator, Osborne Brown; Vice-Moderator, J. D. Elliott; Clerk, J. F. Click; Treasurer, David P. Dellinger.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Bro. Sloan Rhyne, of South Yadkin Association; Rev. W. L. Beach, of Cary, representative of the Biblical Recorder; Rev. S. F. Conrad, of Charlotte; Rev. C. A. Lineberger, Moderator of Catawba River Association.

The new pastors to the Association were introduced as follows: Rev. M. A. Adams, of Newton; Rev. J. R. Pace, of Olivet; Rev. L. M. Hobbs, of Belmont.

By motion, the reading of church letters was dispensed with; and Brethren I. T. Newton and J. W. Bowles were appointed a committee to prepare a digest of the letters and report same at this session.

By motion, Brethren J. D. Harte, M. A. Adams and J. J.

Beach were appointed a committee to prepare the order of business for this session.

By motion, Bro. W. C. Mullen was appointed Finance committee to receive all moneys sent up here from the churches and to report same at this session.

Bro. David P. Dellinger, who was appointed at the last session, submits the following:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

First. In aim the Biblical Recorder endeavors to be true to name—that is, to be thoroughly Biblical in its teachings and to be a faithful recorder of the news of the Kingdom.

Second. In alignment it undertakes to be fraternally but firmly Baptistic, loyal to Baptist doctrine, devoted to Baptist agencies, stimulating to Baptist progress, expressive to Baptist life.

Third. In ownership it is distinctively Baptist property, being now owned by a few more than one hundred North Carolina Baptists who, without any one having a majority of the stock, hold it not for financial gain, but for the good of the cause and for the glory of God.

Fourth. In control it is the organ of our Baptist State Convention, this body naming its editor, safeguarding its policy, utilizing its columns, and having a report on it every year.

Fifth. In development it is essential to the highest efficiency of a North Carolina Baptist; for there can be no efficiency without interest, nor interest without intelligence, nor intelligence without information, particularly the information about our work which is available week after week in the Biblical Recorder pages.

Sixth. In accomplishment it is among us the one great unifying agency: Territorially, making neighbors of widely separated churches; organically, relating each reader to the whole of our State denominational work; doctrinally, binding us together in our views of Bible truth and duty.

Seventh. In outlook after eighty years of usefulness the Biblical Recorder today, with larger circulation than ever before, with growing work to chronicle and to do, with widening life to present, with an enlarging prospect to beckon onward, rejoices in the hearty endorsement of our leaders and fellow-workers in the Lord.

Believing in view of these things that the Recorder should have a place by every Baptist fireside in North Carolina, we in-

voke and urge the hearty co-operation of all our people in immediately and greatly extending its circulation.

Fraternally yours,
David P. Dellinger.

The report was discussed by Brethren W. L. Beach, S. F. Conrad, D. P. Dellinger, and J. S. Wray, who made strong plea for the Home Field.

The report was adopted.

The Clerk reads the following

Petition From Highland.

To the South Fork Association, Greeting:

We, the Highland Baptist Church, organized November 28, 1912, do ask you to receive us into your body. If received into your fellowship, we will strive to carry out the plans and conform to the constitution of your Association.

Read and adopted in conference, this October 19, 1913.

W. S. Robinson, Moderator.
W. T. Harris, Church Clerk.

By motion, the petition was received and referred to the following committee: W. C. Barrett, J. R. Pace, G. P. Abernethy.

Rev. J. R. Pace reads the following

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE

Nearly twenty-eight years ago this great institution was organized at a session of the Baptist State Convention, held in the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, N. C. Like nearly all great enterprises, it came into existence after a great storm of opposition. But God has manifested His presence and power with this institution until today it is the pride and glory of the Baptists of the State of North Carolina.

On November 11, 1885, the first child was received. The last one enrolled this year runs the number up to 1,420. Present now, 411, grouped in eleven families.

Fifty applications a month. Most of them turned away for lack of room.

It costs about one hundred dollars a year to support one child, not including building and repairs. Children are received between the ages of five and twelve, and dismissed according to preparation rather than age.

The expense bill averages a hundred and fifteen dollars a day —two barrels of flour a day, three or four bushels of meal, a whole beef when used all around, ten bushels sweet potatoes, four or five

bushels of Irish potatoes, when potatoes are used, and other things accordingly.

The above statistics were taken from a report of the Orphanage, made August 25, 1913.

Charity and Children, one of the best papers in the State—a paying investment, a blessing to every home in which it goes, and is only taken by about one-third of all of our Baptist Sunday Schools in the State.

About one-third of our 1,800 Sunday Schools in the State take a once a month collection for the Orphanage, which pays about 40 per cent of the current expenses.

We see from the above figures that if every Sunday School would take a club of Charity and Children, and take a collection once a month for the Orphanage, we could in this way more than support our Orphanage.

The splendid Kennedy Memorial Home is now being equipped with buildings, and a church is to be built, as a branch of our great Orphan plant. The Sun Beam Bands of the State are to contribute $500.00 towards building this church.

We recommend, First, that every Sunday School in our Association take a club of Charity and Children; and Second, that every Sunday School take a collection once a month for our Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Pace.

The report was discussed by J. R. Pace, Rev. M. L. Kestler of the Orphanage, W. C. Barrett, J. S. Wray, J. D. Elliott.

The report was adopted.

By permission, the Treasurer submits the

TREASURER'S REPORT, AUDITED

Receipts:

1912.	
October 26, To amount from W. C. Mullen	$ 42.69
October 26, To amount from Long Creek Church	2.50
October 26, To amount from Finance Committee	230.43
October 28, To amount from Sunday Collection	7.60
November 15, To amount from River View Church ...	5.55
	$288.77

Disbursements:

1912.

October 28, Paid Walters Durham	$180.74
October 28, Paid J. F. Click, Minute Fund	54.56
October 28, Paid S. H. Averitt	37.82
October 29, Paid Walters Durham	7.60
November 15, Paid S. J. Honeycutt	8.05
Total, per vouchers	$288.77

Respectfully submitted,
David P. Dellinger, Treasurer.

We have audited the above report and find it correct.
J. D. Elliott.
S. J. Honeycutt.

The report was adopted.

M. A. Adams submits the report on

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Thursday A. M.

11:00—Introductory Sermon.

Thursday P. M.

2:00—Organization.
3:00—Report on Biblical Recorder.
4:00—Orphanage.
7:30—Woman's Work.
7:45—South Fork Institute.

Friday A. M.

9:30—Devotional Meeting.
10:00—Report of Executive Committee.
11:00—State of Churches.
11:30—Home Missions.

Friday P. M.

1:30—State Missions.
2:30—Aged Ministers Relief.
7:30—Foreign Missions.
8:00—Sunday School.
8:30—Miscellaneous Business.

Saturday A. M.

9:30—Devotional Meeting.
10:00—Miscellaneous Business.

10:30—Education.

11:30—A Financial System.

12:30—Obituaries.

Saturday P. M.

1:00—All Unfinished Business.

M. A. Adams,
J. J. Beach,
J. D. Harte,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Clerk was instructed to write Bro. W. A. Graham and tell him we miss his presence and counsel at this session of the Association.

The Association adjourns to 7:30 tonight, with prayer by R. D. Smith.

NIGHT SESSION

The Association meets according to adjournment. After a song—"Standing on the Promises," and prayer by W. C. Barrett, the Moderator announces that the Association is ready for business.

S. W. Bennett, appointed at last session, reads the following

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

(1912-1913)

Fifty years ago, the Christian women of our country began to organize for the conquest of the world for Christ. Their success during these fifty years amply justified them in making 1912-1913 Jubilant with praise to God.

A quarter of a century ago it was a question in North Carolint whether or not our women should be allowed to engage in Organized Mission Work in our Baptist Churches. Now, the question seems to be, whether or not they shall be allowed to do all of our Mission work.

Our Baptist women of North Carolina have pledged themselves to contribute to the various objects of our Convention this year, $38,000.00, and they always reach their pledge. Of this amount our women of the South Fork Association have agreed to raise $1,200.00. This amount is divided between the W. M. S., Y. W. A's., Sunbeams, and Royal Ambassadors.

But the greatest work of our women hitherto has not been the raising of money. They have been doing foundation work, educating the children, making of their homes, mission schools; sow-

ing the seed, which will ere long bring forth fruit, some Thirty, some Sixty, and some an Hundred fold.

They are going into the homes as their Master did, and gathering up the little Sunbeams and developing them into great orbs of light. They are laying their hands upon the young women of our churches, at that age when they are most restless to do things, and directing their energies into the greatest fields of service, ever opened to woman. They are gathering into little companies, the tender boys of our homes, and teaching, training, and inspiring them for the greatest mission of life, Ambassadors of our King.

To the pastors of the South Fort Association, in the language of that Chief of Missionaries, I insist that we "Help those women."

S. W. Bennett, Committee.

The report was discussed by S. W. Bennett and J. R. Pace.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the Clerk was instructed to have the minutes of the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union incorporated in the regular Minutes of the Association.

The question of giving a statistical table, specially of the woman's work, was referred to the following committee: W. C. Barrett, J. D. Harte, J. R. Pace, S. W. Bennett.

S. J. Honeycutt reads the report on

SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE

Four years ago the past August, I took charge of your school. During this period our enrollment has increased 40 per cent, the average attendance about 45 per cent, the financial receipts about 40 per cent, the salary of teachers 60 per cent.

Four years ago there was no Bible Department. Now we have classes in "The Sunday School Normal Manual," in "Dargan's Doctrine of Our Faith," in "Old Testament History," and "Harmony of the Gospels." At present there are seventeen young men and young women in these classes. Forty-one in the last four years have received the Convention Normal Diploma.

The first year of my principalship there were only three ministerial students, five the second year, the third year seven, last year eight, and this year nine, with the prospect of six more to enter soon.

Four years ago the Catawba River Association adopted South Fork Institute as her Associational School. This session we have three young men and one young lady from that Association, with the prospect of four more to enter yet this season.

Three years ago the Caldwell Association endorsed South Fork Institute, and for two years has been assisting a young ministerial student at our school.

Last session, in March Rev. J. D. Harte, and in April Rev. M. A. Adams, preached a series of sermons at the Institute which were exceedingly helpful. During the first week in October Rev. R. H. Herring preached several instructive sermons at the Institute.

The total enrollment since I have had charge has been 312.

The Wednesday night prayer meeting continues to be one of the most helpful features of the school. Much interest is being manifested in the Literary Societies.

The present teaching force is composed of three men and two women: S. J. Honeycutt, Principal; Rev. I. T. Newton, Wm. R. Timmons, Mrs. S. J. Honeycutt, Mrs. Lillian Tilley.

The history of the school for the last four years shows a steady growth. The school has been made more useful to the denomination, and the faculty made stronger. But, the churches as a whole, have not yet become thoroughly interested in the work.

I remind the Association that six men are to be nominated at this meeting from which two trustees are to be elected by the Board of Trustees at their meeting in May.

I have expended $58.50 for a third well, $24.75 for repair of roofs and shingles, $24.50 for chairs, $12 for paints, $7.45 for heaters and piping, $10.20 for cement and cement work.

We need a general, sympathetic co-operation, the prayers of our Christian people, and more financial support in order to carry on the work of the Institute more successfully.

Respectfully submitted,
S. J. Honeycutt, Principal.

In connection with the above report, the Secretary and Treasurer submits the

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mount Holly, N. C., October 23, 1913.

Financial Report of Secretary-Treasurer of Board of Trustees South Fork Institute.

Receipts:

From J. D. Elliott	$ 56.60
From J. Yates Killian	28.30
From Osborne Brown	28.30
From S. J. Honeycutt, miscellaneous collection	52.50
From J. D. Elliott	5.25
From J. Yates Killian	2.63

From Osborne Brown 2.62

$176.20

Disbursements:

To McClelland & Gaither, payment on ins'nce premiums $ 20.00
To S. J. Honeycutt 32.50
To First Nationl Bank of Hickory 100.00
To First National Bank of Hickory 13.20
To First National Bank of Hickory 10.50

$176.20

Respectfully submitted,
Osborne Brown, Secretary and Treasurer.

By motion, the Treasurer's report was adopted.

In reference to the report submitted by the principal of the school, W. C. Barrett makes a motion that the Trustees of the Institute submit a financial report of the school.

The motion carried.

At this stage, by motion, Rev. M. A. Adams made a timely speech on education and especially the importance of maintaining the South Fork Institute.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 9:30 Friday.

The Moderator appoints Rev. J. D. Moose to conduct the devotional exercise.

Song—"Leaning on the Promises."

Prayer—A. W. Setzer leading.

FRIDAY—SECOND DAY

Morning Session

The Association met at 9:30.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. D. Moose, reading John, 17th chapter.

The Moderator calls the Association to order.

Song—"Come Thou Fount."

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, corrected and approved.

Letters from several churches were handed in and the delegates were enrolled.

Rev. Livingston Johnson, Secretary of the State Mission Board, was recognized and made welcome to a seat in the body.

Moderator Osborne Brown, for the Trustees of South Fork Institute, submitted the following:

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE

In addition to the financial report submitted last evening the Board of Trustees desire to submit the following:

The school has done remarkably well during the past year, considering the difficulties under which it has labored. The attendance has been good, above the average, for the past several years. In a financial way, a small part of the indebtedness has been liquidated by a few of the brethren.

We find that the present indebtedness on the school property amounts to $1,750.36. Realizing that the school can not possibly occupy its proper place in our Association, nor can it do its proper work with this debt overshadowing its usefulness. With this debt removed it will come to occupy its right place and will perform its best work for the association.

The plan suggested for the raising of this debt is to secure the services of some suitable man and put him in the field at once for this purpose. We recommend M. A. Adams, of Newton, as being able to do this work. J. D. Elliott has agreed to pay the expense incurred in the collection of this money so that all monies collected will be used to pay off the present indebtedness. It is further understood that all money as collected shall be sent direct to Osborne Brown, Secretary-Treasurer, and all pledges made to be paid in like manner. The indebtedness on which these payments are to be made are as follows:

First National Bank of Hickory, note	$ 350.00
J. S. Bridges, note	600.00
J. B. Bridges, note	600.00
Balance due on insurance premiums	30.00
W. L. Saunders, note	78.00
Interest Account:	
Interest due on J. S. Bridges note	47.00
Interest due on J. B. Bridges note	36.00
Interest due on W. L. Saunders note	9.36
Total indebtedness	$1,750.36

The Board of Trustees will render a full statement in detail at the next meeting of the Association of all monies collected with the name from whom it is received together with a full record of all disbursements.

With this burdensome debt out of the way it is the purpose

of the trustees to assume more active control of the school, employing the principal and all the teachers. In doing this they will have in mind the good of the school and the voice of the Association.

Respectfully submitted for the Board of Trustees,

J. Yates Killian, President.

Osborne Brown, Sec'y-Treas.

The report was discussed by J. J. Beach, J. D. Harte and M. A. Adams.

S. W. Bennett recommends six brethren, of which number two shall be elected to fill vacancies on the Board of Trustees of South Fork Institute at their annual meeting in May, as follows: J. J. Beach, J. C. Whiteside, M. A. Adams, L. F. Groves, Jno. W. Hoover and J. A. Hoyle.

By motion, the recommendations were adopted.

By motion of M. A. Adams, the discussion of all questions be governed by the time limit allowed by the report on Order of Business.

J. Yates Killian submits the following

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee beg leave to submit the following report:

Your Committee has endeavored to carry out the plan-work of the State Board, namely: That we recommend appropriations be made by the State Board with preference to those churches that group themselves together in one field and consolidate their efforts to forming a permanent field of a sufficient number of churches, so as to call a pastor for his whole time, and to live in this field.

It has been the policy of this Board to encourage the formation of fields with one or more strong churches as center and the rest of the field composed of weaker churches and to recommend a reasonable appropriation to this field until it becomes self-supporting.

The Board also proposes to decrease an appropriation from a mission field as the field grows self-supporting. This explains the appropriation made to the Newton field, West Hickory field, McAdensville field, and we urge the different churches in the Association that they form themselves into fields as soon as possible.

The Board recognizes the fact that there are destitute churches that need immediate help, but with a limited amount of funds, we believe the means can be best spent and better results obtained by

giving preference to the churches that are grouped into fields.

It is recommended by the Board that hereafter at the meeting of the Association, a report be made by each pastor receiving help from the Board as to the results of his work at the mission points of his pastorate.

We have ever been conscious of the responsibility resting upon us in the distribution of the Lord's money, and have recommended that these funds be spent in the localities where the greatest good can be done to advance God's Kingdom.

For the year just closing, we made the following appropriations:

West Hickory	$175.00
The Olivet Field	100.00
The Newton Field	200.00
Beatties Ford and Denver	75.00
McAdensville	100.00
East Hickory	50.00
Spencer Mountain	25.00
Webb's Chapel	50.00
Faith	25.00
	$800.00

Our Association gave to State Missions $1,069.30, and the State gave us back $800.00. Your Committee aims to ask the State Board for not more than 75 per cent of the amount we give the Board.

The Executive Committee will meet in Lincolnton, N. C., on Saturday, November 8th, at 11:00 o'clock, and applications for appropriations should then be made by vote of the church in due form for the amount needed to carry on a hopeful work.

We urge gifts of more than One Thousand Dollars to State Missions for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Yates Killian, Chairman.
J. D. Elliott,
J. D. Harte,
J. J. Beach,
H. B. Moore,
R. S. Lewis,
T. J. Ramseur,
Committee.

The report was discussed by the following brethren: J. Yates Killian, J .D. Harte, J. S. Wray, J. J. Beach, Livingston Johnson and C. M. Ervin.

The report was adopted.

David P. Dellinger introduces the following

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That Thos. J. Ramseur, J. D. Harte, J. J. Beach and J. D. Elliott be re-elected members of the Executive Committee to succeed themselves.

The resolution was adopted.

By motion, of J. Yates Killian, J. D. Elliott was elected as this Association's member of the State Mission Board.

I. T. Newton reads the following report on

DIGEST OF LETTERS—STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your Committee on Digest of Church Letters and State of the Churches, desire to submit the following:

The letters show 537 baptisms, and a total increase in membership numbering 334.

Several churches have had considerable additions by baptism, while a large per cent report few or no baptisms

On the other hand, some of the churches not reporting so many baptisms have done well financially.

Some of those reporting little, as to baptisms and finances, may be doing well to hold their ground under existing conditions.

We find that the total amount of pastors' salaries is about $100 less than last year.

The Sunday Schools have expended in this work about $150.00 more, but the per cent of church members attending Sunday School is far too small. The churches and Sunday Schools have contributed nearly $2,000 more to Convention objects than the minutes show for last year.

Some of the churches have improved their houses of worship, and at least five expect to build new houses in the near future.

The church house at High Shoals was wrecked by storm on the fourth Sunday in last June, and the last $50 on this house was paid after the wreck. It is hoped that the churches of the Association will sympathize with the High Shoals Church in a practical way.

Some of the brethren express the thought that there is not the symmetry from the standpoint of practical Godliness that there should be. There seems to be a tendency to judge the character of a meeting simply by the number of baptisms; and also some tendency to make the physical act of baptism a part of the saving process. Our zeal for added numbers finds its sure fruitage in slackness of discipline.

Some churches have revised their rolls and dropped many names. Doubtless this is a good indication, but also emphasizes the fact that greater care should be exercised in receiving members, and in watching for their interests afterward.

By the people in general, our distinctive principles are better understood and more appreciated than formerly, but a higher degree of devotion to the right, both as organized communities and as individuals, should be sought.

I. T. Newton,
J. W. Bowles,
Committee.

The report was ably discussed by I. T. Newton.

The report was adopted.

Rev. W. N. Johnson, and Pres. W. L. Poteat of Wake Forest College, were recognized and welcomed to seats.

M. A. Adams reads the following report:

HOME MISSION

The founders of the Republic desired that this should be a Christian nation. They set forth their ideas in many of the earlier State papers. They refused to bolster up religious institutions by the State patronage.

History has justified their wisdom. The oppressed of every nation today look to America to show the way to better things. We have tried and know of a truth that "Righteousness exalteth a nation." But our best efforts have been imperfect; we also know that "sin is a reproach to a nation." Of 94,000,000 people in America only about 21,000,000 are members of any evangelical religious body. Of 31,000,000 people in the Southern Baptist Convention territory fewer than 11,000,000 are members of evangelical bodies.

There remains a large task of pioneer mission work in our territory. After all the successful efforts of Home and State Missions, scores of communities in many States do not hear the gospel message. There has come about in addition a pioneer work of a new kind. It has to be found in the slums of the cities and sometimes along the fashionable boulevards. With the old task unfinished, many new ones are being added that are more difficult.

Three thousand unhoused churches in our Convention territory, with thousands of others in buildings that are not adequate to their needs, mutely appeal for a large and hearty support to the Home Board in raising the Million Dollar Church Building Loan Fund.

In the Southwest, in Cuba and Panama, among the Southern mountains, in destitute city places and in needy rural districts throughout the South, among the Indians and Negroes and the foreigners, through evangelism, church building work and enlistment endeavor, our Home Mission Board is today doing the greatest work of all its fruitful history.

With all of these tasks pressing for vigorous, capable attention, our Board stands in the front ranks of the agencies of our Baptist body through which we seek to keep inviolate in a day of testing, the great Baptist principle of loyalty to Christ and the teachings of His Word. There is danger that an increasing Southern wealth shall lead men to drown the voice of spiritual appeal in the noise of the marketplace. There is a danger, now that the world has become a single community, that we shall love humanity in the abstract and forget to love our neighbors in their own persons—those who live with us and who are the inescapable test of the reality of our love for men. There is danger that hasty effort on the part of some of our churches to adjust themselves to new and involved social service requirements, may betray us into a wrong emphasis. There is danger that the quality of our impact upon society may be impaired by confusing the "goodly pearls" of social efficiency and human fraternity with "The Pearl of Great Price." Christianity means better living conditions among men, but the supreme business of the churches is to produce these better conditions by producing better men and women.

The Home Mission Board apportionment for the whole South is this year $431,750. Our State work is bound for a just proportion of this amount.

1. We recommend that the amount for our Association be apportioned among the churches and each church requested to raise its entire amount.

2. That pastors and workers urge churches to subscribe for The Home Field, the monthly Home Mission magazine, and to make the largest use of the excellent Home Mission tracts, which are free on application.

3. That our churches remember Home Missions during the year and give with more regularity to meet the constant needs of the Board.

4. That earnest prayer be made for the cause of Home Missions in all the churches and that our pastors be requested to preach on this subject, as often as practicable.

The address of the Home Mission Board is Third National

Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Fraternally submitted,
M. A. Adams.

After being discussed by M. A. Adams, the report was adopted.

The Moderator appoints the Committee on Place and Preacher for next session as follows: C. M. Ervin, L. A. Abernethy and J. O. Allen.

W. C. Barrett submits the following report on the

PETITION OF HIGHLAND CHURCH

We, your Special Committee to whom were referred the letter of Highland Church, asking to join this Association, beg leave to say that we have enquired into their articles of faith and how organized, and finding it orthodox, we therefore recommend the reception of the same.

W. C. Barrett,
J. R. Pace,
Geo. P. Abernethy,
Committee.

By motion, the report was adopted, and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegate from Highland Church, as a legal, welcome member of this Association.

After song—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," and prayer by W. N. Johnson, the Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

FRIDAY—SECOND DAY

Evening Session

The Association reassembles at 1:30.

After song—"Stand Up For Jesus," and prayer by Rev. J. R. Pace, the Moderator calls the Association to order.

W. C. Barrett for the special committee makes the following

RECOMMENDATION

Your Committee recommends that a separate page of statistics for a report of the Woman's Work be placed in the minutes. This page to contain the information given in the church letters. This will not make any change in the present statistical tables.

W. C. Barrett,
J. D. Harte,
S. W. Bennett,
J. R. Pace,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

W. C. Barrett reads following

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

It Is a Command.

The Master taught us to do State Mission work both by precept and example. He began His work at home and extended it as far as human limitations would allow. In His specific instruction and commission He told His disciples to begin at home. After two thousand years of experience we see the wisdom of His teaching, for we find that the most highly cultivated and strongest Christian sections of the world need missionaries.

We are pledged to it.

One of the primary objects of the Baptist State Convention, as stated in the constitution, is "To support the Gospel in all the destitute sections of the State." One of the chief objects in the organization of this Association, as set forth in its constitution, is "To support the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; and to co-operate with Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor." In the covenant of every church in the Association there is a pledge subscribed to by every person who joins the church to support State Missions.

We are encouraged by past history.

When the Convention was organized a board of missions was appointed to conduct the State Mission work. At present the Board consists of eighty members at large, elected by the Convention and one member from each of the sixty-four Associations, elected by the Association. The officers of the Board who receive salaries are L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary; E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary; Walters Durham, Treasurer; Miss Blanche Barrus, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's work.

The work of the Board has been administered with remarkable wisdom and foresight. Some mistakes have been made and some money has been wasted, as we might expect in anything conducted by human beings, but the mistakes have been few and the money that has not returned abundant increase exceedingly small. Almost every strong church in the State was helped by the State Board at one time. Many of our strong churches in the cities and towns were organized by missionaries under the Board. A majority of the country churches that have been organized in the last twenty-five years were organized by missionaries and helped by the Board.

State Missions has not only pushed the work of evangelization and organization, but it has rendered valuable assistance to every other interest of the Convention.

The wisdom, efficiency and usefulness of State Missions is

demonstrated by the fact that the weak churches that are helped by the Board are the most liberal churches to the other objects.

The report for last year shows that there were one hundred and fifty missionaries who preached 10,150 sermons at 335 churches and out-stations. They held 231 meetings, baptized 1,607 persons and received 1,393 by letter. They had 2,627 professions of faith, work done on twenty houses of worship, and twelve houses finished. The Board spent $47,931.91 on mission fields in the State. These fields raised for all objects $74,586.23. Of this amount $26,898.42 were for pastors' salaries. Deducting this we find that the mission field lacked only $244.10 of paying into the treasury as much as was given them.

This year the Board has undertaken to enlarge the work it has been doing, and by order of the Convention at Goldsboro has added two new departments, that of Enlistment done in co-operation with the Home Board and B. Y. P. U. work done in co-operation with the B. Y. P. U. Convention. The State Board carries only a part of the expense attached to these new departments.

Encouraged by the future.

Perhaps the opportunity has never been greater and the needs more urgent. "The fields are white unto the harvest," and the laborers are few compared with the work. The Lord has given the Baptists the opportunity to take North Carolina for Christ. If we fail the Kingdom will suffer. The Master will not be glorified and others will receive the blessings from having kept His commandments. One of the great mistakes the churches are making is the putting off of collecting the mission money until just before the Association. This accounts for the small amount given to the various objects and also, for the large amount of interest paid on borrowed money.

The greatest need at present is consecrated giving in a business way. This is the recommendation we would make to this Association.

W. C. Barrett.

The subject was discussed by Livingstone Johnson, and by motion, was adopted.

By motion, Dr. W. L. Poteat, of Wake Forest College, was granted special privilege to speak on Education. A great speech.

By motion, Rev. W. N. Johnson, pastor of Wake Forest Church, was given time to present the great need of a church building at Wake Forest. In his strong, convincing appeal, he said, this Association's part would be about $750.00.

W. C. Barrett moves the adoption of the following

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That this Association endorse the amount apportioned to this Association ($750.00) by the committee at Goldsboro.

Pending the adoption of the resolution, J. R. Pace moves that a committee be appointed to apportion out to the churches the amount each would be asked to give of the $750.00.

The motion carried, and the following committee was appointed: W. C. Barrett, I. T. Newton and J. F. Click.

The report was adopted.

C. M. Ervin reads the report on

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the committee appointed on Place and Preacher for next session of South Fork Association, beg to say that after due consideration we recommend the following:

Place—Macedonia.

Preacher—W. C. Barrett.

Alternate—M. A. Adams.

Respectfully,
C. M. Ervin.
L. A. Abernethy.
J. O. Allen.

The report was adopted.

J. O. Allen reads the report of

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your committee appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer of the South Fork Institute Trustees, beg to report that we have performed that duty and find entries of receipts and disbursements correct as read.

J. C. Allen,
A. W. Setzer,
Committee.

By motion the Association adjourned until 7:30 tonight.

Prayer by J. D. Moose.

FRIDAY—SECOND DAY

NIGHT SESSION

The Association met at 7:30.

After a song and prayer, G. L. Mullis, leading, the Moderator called the Association to order.

Rev. S. L. Cathey, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, was recognized and welcomed to a seat in the body.

By motion, made by M. A. Adams, W. C. Barrett was asked to write a report on the B. Y. P. U.'s work, to be read at the next session of this body.

A. W. Setzer, by request of J. D. Harte, read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

We come again to talk and pray about the task our Lord gave us when He said, "Go ye into all the world." The year just closing has been one of noble sacrifice on the part of our missionaries, and of gracious blessings from God on the work. Within the bounds of our Association, the principle of Foreign Missions has won its way.

Our pastors and leaders are all in line with the work. Our gifts of money are not commensurate in many cases with the needs, nor do the gifts in money indicate in every case the interest the people have in the work. The increase in money given has been regular through the years. The increase in money gifts goes hand in hand with the increase of knowledge about missions and prayer for missions.

As we learn more and pray more, we shall surely give more. Knowledge and faith must have an outlet, a way to express themselves.

There is a weight of responsibility on the pastor in leading his people into larger things. What he thinks determines largely what the people think. The time has come, however, when the preacher must think right on this missionary question if he would continue to be the pastor of Baptist churches.

The leaven is at work—the leaven of education in missions. The Woman's Missionary Societies, Sunbeam Bands and Mission Study Classes are doing the work that is ushering in a new day in the Kingdom. These forces have gotten back of the sentimental in missions and are today dealing with the question as a plain New Testament proposition.

And so we are learning the way to finance missions. Instead of the once-a-year gift our churches are coming to the once-a-month or the once-a-week gift. The number of those who support the Foreign Mission work with their prayers and money grows year by year.

We affectionately urge our people to pray for that glorious promised day to be hastened when the kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord. To pray that the Lord of the harvest may thrust forth laborers in the fields white to harvest.

And we appeal to all who would be intelligent missionary Baptists to invest 25 cents in the Foreign Mission Journal, and thus keep themselves informed on the work all over the world.

J. D. Harte.

The report was discussed by J. R. Pace and W. N. Johnson

The report was adopted.

The committee to apportion the $750.00 for the Wake Forest Church, made the following recommendations:

Gastonia First and Hickory First, $60 each; Lincolnton First and Olivet, $40 each; Belmont, Maiden, McAdensville and Mt. Holly, $25 each; East Gastonia, Loray, Mt. Ruhama and Newton, $20 each; Brookford, Dallas, Hickory Grove, Long Creek, Lowell, Macedonia and West Hickory, $15 each; Alexis, Bethel, Bruington, Corinth, Catawba, Kidd's Chapel, Leonard's Fork, Lincolnton Avenue, Lawing's Chapel, Mt'n Grove, Mt. Zion, River View, Sandy Plains and Startown, $10 each; and all the other 22 churches, $5 each. In short, they are asked to pay: 2 churches, $120; 2 churches, $80; 4 churches, $80; 4 churches, $100; 7 churches, $105; 15 churches, $150; 22 churches, $110. Total, $745.

W. C. Barrett,
I. T. Newton,
J. F. Click,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

J. S. Wray reads the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

At this meeting thirty-eight churches sent in Sunday School reports. In these there were enrolled 5,428, with an average attendance of 2,901.

Eleven churches did not report in 1911, nine did not report in 1912, and twenty have failed to report this year. However, 1,407 baptisms were reported in the churches during these three years, and 788 of these were from the Sunday Schools reporting.

With these facts before you I submit the following:

It is the belief of the writer that the pastors and churches have not yet fully realized the worth of the Sunday School. The church statistics should show how many of the candidates for baptism are members of the Sunday School. From such a report it would be seen at a glance that the Sunday School is in deed and in truth the hotbed for the church. This in spite of the fact that four-fifths of the church members are doing practically nothing to aid the Sunday School.

What would be the result if the four-fifths were working as are the one-fifth, if each teacher who stands before a class realized that the teaching has as its end the bringing of the unsaved to a knowledge of Jesus that will mean salvation?

Great things have resulted to the kingdom from the Sunday School. But as ambassadors of Christ it is the duty of each Christian to strive in such a manner that not a single one shall be lost to Him. To this end the following recommendations are made:

1. That an Executive Committee be appointed to organize the Sunday School forces of the Association into a convention to advance the work.

2. That the Sunday Schools be urged to strive to become greater soul-saving agencies,taking for their aim the bringing of every unsaved member to a saving knowledge of the blessed Christ.

The report was discussed by J. S. Wray, S. W. Bennett, J. J. Beach and J. F. Click.

The report was adopted.

By motion, G. P. Abernathy was given an opportunity to take a collection to help rebuild High Shoals Church building, which was wrecked by a storm.

The collection was taken. Amount, $26.33.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Song—"Saviour More Than Life to Me."

Prayer by J. A. Hoyle.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY

Morning Session

The Association met at 9:30.

Rev. W. W. Rimmer conducted devotional service, Scripture read, Romans, 6th chapter.

Prayer by J. D. Moose.

The Moderator calls the Association to order.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

On motion of J. J. Beach, the thanks of the Association were tendered to the pastor and church of Mt. Holly for the nice souvenirs of their church with history of organization and pastors from the beginning until the present.

J. A. Hoyle moves the adoption of the following

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the pastor and members of this church and the good people of Mt. Holly for their generous hospitality and entertainment during the session of this Association.

The resolution was adopted.

By motion, it was decided upon to finish the business of the session before adjournment of morning session so the delegates can remain to the close before going home.

The Moderator appoints the following committee to write reports for next session:

SUBJECTS AND WRITERS

State Missions—A. W. Setzer.
Home Missions—J. J. Beach.
Education—S. W. Bennett.
Foreign Missions—L. M. Hobbs.
Orphanage—G. P. Abernethy.
Aged Ministers Relief—W. W. Rimmer.
Obituaries—G. L. Mullis.
Sunday School—J. D. Moose.
Woman's Work—W. N. Cook.
South Fork Institute—J. Yates Killian.
Church Finance—J. D. Harte.
B. Y. P. U. (elected)—W. C. Barrett.

The Moderator appoints the following committee to arrange for a S. S. Convention: J. S. Wray, J. D. Harte and R. F. Craig.

J. J. Beach reads the following

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Baptists have always been leaders in education. Our forefathers clearly saw that in order for our principles to live and advance that the common people must be educated and informed. So we have been pioneers in establishing colleges as well as preparatory schools.

The demand for the education of the masses has never been so great as today, when we are so over-run with questions that only an enlightened mind can solve.

Not only do we realize the great need of education in general, but our people (some of them at least) see the need of educating

our boys and girls under Baptist influence, where they are under the tuition of Godly men and women in schools where the principles for which we stand are honored and upheld.

Your committee would advise parents to patronize Baptist secondary schools and our Baptist colleges even at a small increase in cost above the State institutions.

We think, further, that all Baptist schools ought to have only Baptist teachers.

The special things that appeal to our Association are:

1. The ministerial students in South Fork Institute, our Associational school, and the relation of the churches to the students and school.

2. Our relation to our denominational colleges—Wake Forest and Meredith—and our duty to aid the young preachers at Wake Forest, and help in the support and endowment of both.

3. The duty of churches to help in aiding students at our Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

There are at South Fork Institute, ministerial students, and we commend them to the churches for their prayers, encouragement and financial help.

There are about ninety at Wake Forest College, and the Board of Education needs our help in meeting their needs.

There are about 250 at Seminary, and the call for help is urgent.

Our Baptist policy for all our history has been for helping our preachers to well equip themselves for this great work, and we commend all our educational work to the earnest support of our churches in this association.

J. J. Beach.

The subject was discussed by J. J. Beach, W. C. Barrett and J. R. Pace.

The report was adopted.

W. C. Mullen reads his report

ON FINANCE

Your Finance Committee begs leave to make the following report of the amounts sent up by the churches for the following objects:

Minutes	$60.05
Associational Missions	1.25
State Missions	2.25
Home Missions	4.31
Foreign Missions	8.00

Orphanage 2.55

Total $78.41

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Mullen.

The report was adopted.

The Clerk reads the following telegram from Maj. W. A. Graham, former Moderator of this Association, as follows:

"Raleigh, N. C., 10-25-1913.

"J. F. Click, Greeting: Ex. 14:13, 15; Num. 13:30.

"W. A. Graham."

W. F. Huggins reads the following

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Ministerial Relief, commonly called Old Ministers' Relief, is finding its way into the hearts of our people. This is as it should be. On September 1st of the present year our contributions to this cause reached the sum of $3,761.45 as against $2,240.90 for the same date last year, a gain of $1,520.55. When we stop to consider the debt of gratitude we owe to these aged soldiers who fought so gloriously for the Faith, while in their youth and strength, we are made to wonder at our long neglect of their comfort, when time and toil have brought upon them, in the waning of their strength, unrelenting physical weakness. They live in retrospection. With them the long marches, the storming of Satan's strongholds, the planting of the King's banner on new fields of conquest, the things of cherished memory. Their mantles are fallen on other shoulders, but the service they rendered marks an epoch in Southern Baptist history. They sowed, we are reaping. Social ostricism they endured like men of steel—but time brings changes, and, while we, as Baptists, live in the bright sunshine of a better day than they enjoyed, let us ever be cognizant of the fact that our denominational prestige is due primarily, if not exclusively, to the unselfish sacrifices of these pioneer preachers who labored without much money, and sometimes without thanks, but for the glory of God, and the coming of His Kingdom into the hearts of men. Is the day of their usefulness passed? No. Think of their heart yearnings and prayers that are daily going up to God for Zion's prevalence! We need their counsel concerning things both temporal and spiritual. Now the years are weighing heavily upon them; now they must give place to those whose years and strength fit them for the battles yet to be fought in behalf of Gospel supremacy, and opposing powers yet to be met and overcome. In view of these facts, brethren, do we not

owe these faithful ministers, now disabled by reason of long service, a debt of gratitude? Assuredly we do. It is our duty (may I say pleasure) to give liberally to the cause of Ministerial Relief, so that these Ministers of Christ, now enfeebled by age and service, may be free from bodily need in the days wherein they yet linger with us.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Huggins.

The report was discussed by W. F. Huggins and W. C. Barrett.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator makes the following appointments:

Delegates to State Convention—Prof. Joe S. Wray, Rev. J. D. Harte, J. A. Hoyle. And to the Southern Baptist Convention —Rev. W. C. Barrett.

By motion of W. C. Barrett, Moderator Osborne Brown was substituted for W. C. Barrett as the delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention. Alternate—W. C. Barrett.

By motion, the Clerk is allowed $15 out of the minute fund for his labor in the printing and sending out of the minutes.

The question of an Associational paper was discussed by M. A. Adams and A. W. Setzer.

M. A. Adams made a motion that the Association endorse the advisability of such a paper, and that for the present the matter be left in the hands of Rev. A. W. Setzer.

The motion carried.

J. F. Click, for C. M. Ervin, reads the report

ON OBITUARIES

Bro. Richard Harrell departed this life December 6, 1912. He joined Salem Baptist Church when a young man and remained faithful to his church until death. The last years of his life, he filled the office of deacon. His wife preceded him to the other shore about two months. He leaves five children, the oldest about 15 years old, the youngest about 3 years old. Three of them are now at the Thomasville Orphanage.

Bro. Robert K. Bumgarner passed from this world into rest February 7, 1913. This brother was a member of River View Church, and in the last years of his life served as deacon.

Since the last session of this body, 56 other deaths have occurred. We would be glad to speak of them separately, but space will not

permit it. One by one we lay down life's battles and enter the home of the blessed. So let us work for our King so we can better enjoy the rest in the mansions He has prepared for us in Heaven.

C. M. Ervin.

The report was adopted.

W. C. Barrett offers the following resolution: That a committee be appointed to revise and change the constitution, and report at next session.

The resolution was adopted, and the Moderator oppointed the following committee on Amendments to the Constitution of the Association: W. C. Barrett, I. T. Newton, M. A. Adams.

The minutes of today's proceedings were read and approved.

The pastor in charge announced the following services for Sunday:

At the Baptist Church:

At 10 a. m.—A Sunday School Address.

At 11 a. m.—Sermon, by Rev. A. W. Setzer.

At 7:30 p. m.—Sermon by Rev. J. D. Moose.

At Presbyterian Church:

At 11 a. m.—Sermon by Rev. M. A. Adams.

At Methodist Church:

At 7:30 p. m.—Sermon by Rev. A. W. Setzer.

There being no further business, after a song and prayer, the Moderator announced that the Association now stands adjourned to meet in its next annual session with Macedonia Church, on Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1914, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Osborne Brown, Moderator.
J. F. Click, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be known as the South Fork Association.

2. Its object shall be to educate men called of God to the ministry and approved by the church to which they belong; to support the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the study of the Bible in the Sunday Schools, and to cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its departments.

3. It shall be composed of delegates annually elected by their respective churches, each church entitled to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty, provided no church have more than five. The pastors of the churches in the Association shall be recognized as delegates.

4. Its officers shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot.

5. There shall be an Executive Committee of seven persons, who shall have supervision of all business pertaining to the work of the Association. They shall be elected by the body in two groups, one to be elected each year and to serve two years.

6. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Association.

7. That any member of this Association attending any sister Association, shall be considered a delegate to the same.

8. This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in October, at 11 a. m. The Introductory sermon to be preached immediately before organization.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. The delegates shall be called each day previous to proceeding to business.

3. The hour for business shall be—Meet at 9:30 a. m., adjourn at pleasure unless otherwise ordered.

4. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, but may designate some one to take his place, if he wishes to vacate the chair.

5. The presiding officer shall enforce order in accordance with "Mell's Parliamentary Practice."

6. The Clerk shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Association, and superintend the printing of the minutes.

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTION (1881)

Resolved, First, we recommend that every church, for the good of the cause of Christianity, discountenance in its members the aiding in the manufacture, sale, or use of any kind of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and if after being admonished, they will not refrain, the church should expel them.

Resolved, Second, That we will as an Association, withdraw our fellowship from all such churches as will not observe the rules.

This resolution shall be read by the Clerk annually during the session of the Association. (1886).

NAMES OF CHURCHES	ADDITIONS BY				DEMINUTIONS BY				PRESENT NUMBER				
	Baptism	Letters	Restoration	Total	Letter	Exclusion	Death	Total	Gain	Loss	Male	Female	Total
Alexis	5	8	0	13	5	0	1	6	7	0	44	56	100
Amity	0	2	0	2	7	1	0	8	0	6	20	33	53
Be mont	3	14	2	19	15	0	1	16	3	0	68	93	161
Bethel	1	2	1	4	2	0	0	2	2	0	34	55	89
Brookford	13	7	2	22	13	7	2	22	0	0	30	50	80
Bruington	2	0	4	6	4	0	1	5	1	0	47	39	86
Catawba	6	3	0	9	2	0	1	3	6	0	28	43	71
Cedar Grove	4	9	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	0	12	19	31
Corinth	5	1	0	6	1	0	0	1	5	0	47	83	130
Dallas	3	11	0	14	13	0	0	13	1	0	54	68	122
East Belmont	21	21	0	42	18	2	0	20	22	0	14	33	47
East Gastonia	27	25	2	54	15	6	6	27	27	0	161	195	356
Faith	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	20	15	35
Gastonia First	27	29	1	57	35	4	2	41	16	0	144	220	364
Hickory First	30	25	1	56	20	0	3	23	33	0	121	202	323
Hickory Grove	4	1	2	7	28	18	0	46	0	18	82	88	170
Highland	16	8	0	24	0	0	2	2	22	0	14	34	48
High Shoals	18	27	0	45	11	0	0	11	34	0	39	73	112
Kidd's Chapel	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	7	0	7	24	47	71
Lawing's Chapel	10	10	0	20	5	4	1	10	10	0	69	70	139
Leonard's Fork	3	3	0	6	0	0	1	1	5	0	29	53	82
Lincolnton Ave.	10	16	0	26	5	0	2	7	19	0	37	73	110
Lincolnton First	15	10	1	26	18	0	0	18	8	0	73	96	169
Long Creek	37	15	0	52	15	0	3	18	34	0	78	109	187
Long Shoals													
Loray	19	64	2	85	45	52	6	103	0	18	73	143	216
Lowell	1	7	1	9	19	3	0	22	0	13	32	59	91
Lucia													
Macedonia	7	12	1	20	2	0	1	3	17	0	89	113	202
Maiden	0	6	1	7	26	5	1	32	0	25	67	91	158
Mayesworth	9	9	1	19	0	0	0	0	19	0	17	24	41
McAdensville	68	23	7	98	15	12	6	33	65	0	111	163	274
Mtn. Grove	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	36	41	77
Mt. Holly.	6	14	0	20	6	0	0	6	14	0	67	97	164
Mt. Ruhama	10	1	1	12	17	1	0	18	0	6	101	146	247
Mtn. View	3	0	0	3	3	0	1	4	0	1	33	54	87
Mt. Zion	0	2	0	2	17	1	3	21	0	19	67	96	163
Newton	21	49	10	80	15	1	2	18	62	0	70	104	174
Olivet	17	12	0	29	16	4	1	21	8	0	74	106	180
Penelope	3	7	0	10	2	0	1	3	7	0	22	31	53
Piney Grove	5	2	0	7	2	1	0	3	4	0	17	31	48
Providence I													
Providence II	1	0	1	2	4	4	0	8	0	6	30	53	83
Reepsville	4	0	1	5	5	0	0	5	0	0	13	19	32
River View	3	16	0	19	16	2	2	20	0	1	45	95	140
Salem	7	8	1	16	3	0	1	4	12	0	44	75	119
Sandy Plains	6	3	0	9	3	0	1	4	5	0	59	92	151
Sharon	4	1	0	5	5	0	0	5	0	0	27	40	67
Startown	2	0	0	2	3	0	1	4	0	2	5	10	15
Spencer Mtn.	14	11	0	25	4	0	2	6	19	0	35	49	84
Thessalonica	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	8	22	30
Tuckasege	10	11	0	21	4	2	1	7	14	0	36	60	96
Warlicks	7	0	0	7	4	0	1	5	2	0	33	93	126
Webb's Chapel	4	0	0	4	2	0	1	3	1	0	15	15	30
West Hickory	17	48	0	65	19	1	1	21	41	0	59	103	162
Hebron	23	10	1	34	10	1	0	11	23	0	35	50	85
Totals	533	560	44	1140	508	133	59	690	582	124	2609	3922	6531

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Totals
Alexis	100 00	118 00	41 00	12 00		1 20	3 00	275
Amity						80		
Belmont	340 00	1012 00	46 05	35 00		2 00	337 00	1 772
Bethel	75 00		5 00			60		80
Bruington		85 00	40 00	24 00		1 10		150
Brookford	125 00	23 00	17 65				25 00	190
Cedar Grove	30 00					1 00		31
Catawba	100 00	132 00		2 00		85		234
Corinth	100 00					1 00		101
Dallas	433 27		35 85			1 50	65 00	535
East Belmont	75 00	136 38	10 00	15 00		60	101 10	338
East Gastonia	1100 00	754 48	185 86	87 35	12 00	3 00	94 00	2 236
Faith	50 00	7 00	7 50			50		65
Gastonia First	1500 00	1320 56	163 72	176 64	71 21	3 00	161 10	3 396
Hickory First	1760 00	130 00	613 18	354 96	23 50	5 00	195 00	3 081
Hickory Grove	203 03		56 90	28 45		80		289
Highland	75 00	37 30	30 00	69 56		1 00	360 00	572
High Shoals	180 83	89 45	25 75	59 35		1 60	58 61	415
Kidd's Chapel	150 00		11 25	5 50			14 23	180
Lawing's Chapel	105 05		1 00	47 29	1 50	1 50	21 00	177
Leonard's Fork	100 00	1 00				90		101
Lincolnton Ave.	116 20	5 00	9 25	36 14		1 00	77 57	245
Lincolnton First	900 00	15 00	103 60	90 27	4 85	2 50	15 00	1 131
Long Creek	200 00			30 00	20 00	1 00	54 37	305
Long Shoals								
Loray	730 77	81 00		115 14		1 50	40 67	969
Lowell	200 00	70 80	27 26	72 07	2 71	1 40		374
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Macedonia	155 55	36 00	1 00	11 03	3 00	1 00	84 77	293
Maiden	159 61		16 79	40 00		1 15	80 16	297
Mayesworth						20		
McAdenville	367 06		42 40	118 91	75 93	1 80	71 00	677
Mtn. Grove	100 00		8 00				18 00	126
Mt. Holly	400 00	66 31	112 30	115 97		2 00	34 43	731
Mt. Ruhama	133 11	1500 00	10 00			2 20		1 645
Mtn. View	50 00		1 00	7 50			9 00	67
Mt. Zion	125 00		27 50	2 50		75		155
Newton	500 00	192 60	106 69	88 28	15 36	5 50		908
Olivet	350 00	203 00	17 70	50 50	20 00	2 00		643
Penelope	100 00	100 00	5 00	26 76		1 00	12 00	244
Piney Grove	60 00	50 00	95	4 40				115
Providence I								
Providence II	75 00	50 00	20 68	4 50	6 55	1 10		157
Reepsville	10 00						4 50	14
River View	134 60	60 00	12 65	35 00		2 10	8 25	252
Salem	100 00			20 00			17 00	137
Sandy Plains	200 00	75 00	3 00	25 86	14 00	2 10	53 00	372
Sharon	75 00		10 00	2 25		50		87
Startown	100 00					50		100
Spencer Mtn.	138 83			36 97	24 90	1 50	39 15	241
Thessalonica	25 00					20		25
Tuckaseege	73 70	95 36	10 63	32 52	8 65	1 40	14 15	236
Warlick's			1 00		5 00	35		6
Webb's Chapel	30 89	2 00		3 33			2 90	39
West Hickory	150 00	485 00	21 50		5 00	1 00		662
Webron	75 00		56 26	46 31	3 00	1 50	37 88	219
Total	12,438.50	6,933.24	1,915.87	1,933.31	317.16	65.20	2,108.84	25,712.

OF CHES	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Minsterial Education	Ministers Relief	
		30 10	5 00	6 28		4 05		5 00	5 00	$ 50 00
	1 00		1 00	2 00	1 00	2 00				7 00
		9 40	30 12	27 67		15 00	9 00			91 19
		3 00	1 00	1 00						5 00
		14 08	6 20	9 35		10 80				40 43
		5 60	3 00	3 00		10 30				21 90
		16 25	8 08	3 20		6 30		2 15		34 98
ve		5 00	2 00	2 00	50	3 21		1 00	2 00	15 71
		8 00	7 00	5 50						20 50
		20 00	43 00	43 00				5 00	5 00	116 00
ont		2 00				6 96				8 96
onia		49 11	29 79	50 83	5 00	102 88	20 00		8 20	265 79
		2 65		5 20		2 50				10 35
First		205 28	144 36	214 04	23 54	262 39	161 05	24 75	32 81	1068 22
			2 06	1 75		12 39				16 20
irst		326 04	343 32	155 50		217 88	548 00	23 67	13 35	1627 76
rove		6 20	15 00	8 20	3 00	8 45				40 85
		5 00	1 50	1 50		3 95				11 95
ls		16 05	3 05	29 76		5 00	5 00		1 31	60 17
apel		10 00	5 00	5 00		13 10	4 50			37 60
Chapel			7 20	7 15	7 23	7 50				29 08
Fork		7 00	7 00	9 00					5 00	28 00
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			3 00	3 25						6 25
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na		7 66	5 00	5 00		13 00				30 60
		7 00	18 00	15 00		2 85				42 85
		52 00	40 74	47 14	6 40	62 83	10 00	4 00	6 50	229 61
		35 65	21 00	21 31	3 36	38 36	6 50	2 07	2 85	131 10
		8 87	2 00	3 20		10 90	5 00			29 97
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	60 65	1134.35	1028.92	905.75	62.63	1204.28	1114.31	141.51	149.50	5824.31

NOTE: Amounts in parenthisis were for "all other objects."

CHURCHES	When Organized	PASTORS	Seating Capacity	Value of Church Prop.	Sundays of Preaching	Church Cl
Alexis	1903	G. P. Abernethy	350	$ 1400	4th Sun.	T. W. Garrison,
Amity	1905	W. W. Rimmer	300	750	1st Sun.	J. S. McAllister, L
Belmont	1874	L. M. Hobbs	450	9000	2nd and 4th	A. A. Armstrong
Bethel	1895	J. A. Hoyle	300	500	1st Sun.	W. C. Mullen, Li
Brookford	1907	W. N. Cook	300	2000	2nd and 4th	T. C. Bright, Hic
Bruington	1853	W. B. McClure	400	1200	1st and 4th	A. C. Taylor, Sta
Catawba	1875	J. R. Pace	500	3000	1st Sun.	D. L. Wike, Cata
Cedar Grove	1912	M. A. Adams	300	1000	4th Sun.	J. A. Whitener,
Corinth	1855	C. A. Rhyne	500	500	3rd Sun.	G. W. Hood, Ree
Dallas	1877	I. T. Newton	400	1200	2nd and 4th	J. R. Lewis, Dall
East Belmont	1912	C. A. Caldwell			1st Sun.	C. E. Houser, Be
East Gastonia	1901	J. J. Beach	600	6000	Ev. Sun.	M. F. Saunders, G
Faith	1906	J. A. Hoyle	300	1200	4th Sun.	B. E. Ballard, Ire
Gastonia First	1884	W. C. Barrett	600	25000	Ev. Sun.	R. A. Fronberger,
Hebron	1883	G. L. Mullis	350	1000	1st Sun.	A. J. Bumgardner,
Hickory First	1870	J. D. Harte	1000	25000	Ev. Sun.	J. R. Hosley, Hic
Hickory Grove	1873	C. A. Caldwell	400	2000	4th Sun.	J. F. Abernethy,
Highland	1912	C. M. Ervin		360	1st and 4th	W. T. Harris, Hi
High Shoals	1902	G. P. Abernethy	450	1000	2nd Sun.	W. A. Whitener, Hi
Kidd's Chapel	1872	D. E. Vipperman	300	1000	4th Sun.	W. A. Pool, Iron
Lawing's Chapel	1907	W. W. Rimmer	400	1200	3rd Sun.	D. C. Lawing, Linc
Leonard's Fork	1882	J. A. Hoyle	300	700	2nd Sun.	W. H. Hoover, Ch
Lincolnton Ave.	1911	W. W. Rimmer	300	700	4th Sun.	J. A. Armstrong,
Lincolnton First	1859	S. W. Bennett	300	8000	Ev. Sun.	W. L. Mustian, L
Long Creek	1772	G. P. Abernethy	500	2000	1st and 3rd	A. R. Holland, D
Loray	1905	J. D. Moose	500	6000	Ev. Sun.	Mitchem, Gastoni
Lowell	1892	I. T. Newton	400	1500	1st Sun.	Jake Hendrix, Lo
Macedonia	1869	W. W. Rimmer	400	1000	1st Sun.	W. W. Lawing, Li
Maiden	1891	A. W. Setzer	400	1500	1st and 5th	J. C. Canipe, Mai
Maysworth	1911	C. A. Caldwell			1st Sun,	Lee Lanier, Mays
McAdenville	1887	C. A. Caldwell	400	1000	1-2 Time	L. Abernethy, Mc
Mtn. Grove	1881	A. W. Setzer	400	1500	4th Sun.	G. F. Huffman, H
Mtn. View	1853	W. W. Rimmer	350	850	2nd Sun.	Arthur Gilland, M
Mt. Holly	1890	D. E. Vipperman	600	2700	1st and 3rd	F. D. Lowe, Mt.
Mt. Ruhama	1816	C. A. Caldwell	400	500	2nd Sun.	F. H. Caldwell, N
Mt. Zion	1869	G. C. Ivery	300	1200	3rd Sun.	L. A. McClure, A
Newton	1882	M. A. Adams	250	4000	1st and 3rd	S. T. Gaddy, New
Olivet	1833	J. R. Pace	500	3000	2nd and 4th	J. T. Erwin, Cata
Penelope	1888	W. N. Cook	300	1000	3rd Sun.	E. J. Lock, Hick
Piney Grove	1904	M. A. Adams	350	1000	1st Sun.	Lee Setzer, Newt
Providence I	1852	No report				
Providence II	1878	S. A. Stroup	300	600	1st Sun.	R. L. Asherbraner,
Reepsville	1899	J. B. Bivens	250	500	3rd Sun.	L: Weathers, Ree
River View	1897	I. T. Newton	300	800	2nd Sun.	A. L. Cline, Soutl
Salem	1847	G. P. Abernethy	400	6000	3rd Sun.	C. F. Clanton, Li
Sandy Plains	1863	J. J. Beach	400	600	2nd and 4th	N. A. Jenkins, G
Sharon	1854	J. A. Hoyle	300	500	4th Sun.	L. A. Abernethy,
Startown	1896	M. A. Adams	300	600	4th Sun.	J. Y. Killian, Ne
Spencer Mtn.	1909	J. M. Ballard	200	500	2nd Sun.	W. L. Smith, Lo
Thessalonica	1830	A. W. Setzer	300	200	4th Sun.	W. P. Rhoney, N
Tuckasege	1911	G. L. Mullis	300	1000	4th Sun.	J. W. Miller, Mt.
Warlicks	1875		500	1500	1st Sun.	A. J. Cook, Hick
Webb's Chapel	1892	G. L. Mullis	200	500	3rd Sun.	F. B. Carpenter,
West Hickory	1907	W. N. Cook	350	2500	1st and 3rd	J. R. Pierce, Hic

URCHES	Superintendents and Post Offices	No. Schools	No. Months Kept Open	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	Average Attendance	No. Quarterlies Taken	No. Baptisms
;	S. M. Stroup, Alexis	1	12	6	94	100	50		2
	S. T. Bollinger, Lincolnton	1	12						
nt	J. A. Leeper, Lowell	1	12	8	85	93	70		2
l	J. L. Navy, Lincolnton	1	9	7	57	64	45	48	
ford	C. P. Edwards, Hickory R. 5	1	12	10	75	85			
gton	D. F. Hovis, Iron Station	1	12	8	88	96	40		2
ba	H. M. Croom, Catawba	1	12	5	45	50	35	52	
Grove	John Beard, Newton	1	12	5	40	45	25		2
h	R. P. Heavner, Henry	1	12	9	148	157	46		5
;	P. D. Summey, Dallas	1	12	11	84	95	70		3
Belmont	M. L. Abernethy, Belmont	1	12	6	75	81	50		17
Gastonia	C. B. Newton, Gastonia	1	12	10	375	385	185		25
	H. B. Jones, Alexis	1	6	6	40	46	35		1
nia First	Joe S. Wray, Gastonia	2	12	20	374	394	242		
n	T. H. Roberts, Mt. Holly	1	12	7	139	146	83		
ry First	J. D. Elliott, Hickory	1	12	21	350	371	206		23
ry Grove	L. W. Allen, Stanley	1	12	8	114	122	65		4
and	J. A. Ruth, Hickory	1	12	9	80	89	60		10
Shoals	W. R. Rhyne, High Shoals	1	12	9	177	186	81		17
s Chapel	W. A. Pool, Iron Station	1	12	5	25	33	21	33	
g's Chapel	J. A. Huitt, Lincolnton	1	12	10	93	103	60		3
rd's Fork	T. J. Hoover, Crouse	1	12	5	55	40			1
nton Ave.	W. H. Lingerfelt, Lincolnton	1	12	8	78	98	86		8
nton First	J. O. Allen, Lincolnton	1	12	11	132	143	85	228	13
Creek	H. W. Jenkins, Dallas	1	12	7	100	140	75		24
	A. H. Mitchem, Gastonia	1	12	13	409	422	192		
l	Z. W, Johnson, Lowell	1	12	8	125	133	68		1
lonia	D. A. Chapman, Lincolnton	1	7	8	78	86	50		6
n	J. C. Canipe, Maiden	1	12	10	129	139	68		
enville	L. Abernethy, McAdenville	1	12	11	371	383	186		40
Grove	C. S. Eckard, Hickory	1	9	5	36	41	25		
View	J. F. Moore, Maiden R. 1	1	6	7	100	107	50		
olly	R. F. Craig, Mt. Holly	1	12	8	174	182	106		4
uhama	M. C. Laney, Maiden	1	12	13	140	153	83	120	10
n	S. T. Gaddy, Newton	1	12	15	150	165	96	250	16
	Osborne Prown, Long Island	1	12	11	149	160	100	245	10
pe	Thos. Hildebran, Hildebran	1	12	7	45	52	36		1
Grove	Lee Setzer, Newton R. 3	1	12	7	53	60	50	66	4
lence II	Joel Huffman, Henry	1	12	5	60	65	35		1
View	A. L. Cline, Southside	1	12	5	85	90	48		3
	C. F. Clanton, Lincolnton	1	12	6	45	51	35		4
Plains	J. E. C. Ford, Lowell	1	12	11	75	86	60		4
n	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Station	1	6	5	45	50	25		4
er Mtn.	J. W. Wilkins, Lowell	1	12	9	147	156	90		13
seege	J. W. Bumgarner, Mt. Holly	1	12	9	100	109	70		10
's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton	1	9	4	36	40	30		1
Hickory	C. O. Deal, Hickory	1	12	11	300	311	145		12
		48	111/12	402	5775	6177	3363	1042	360

DT REPORTING: Maysworth, Mt. Zion, Providence I, Reepsville, Star-Thesalonica, Warlicks.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Belmont, N. C., October 1, 1913.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association held its fifth annual meeting in the First Baptist Church of Belmont.

The Union convened for business at 3:00 o'clock, Mrs. J. Yates Killian, President, presiding.

After singing the Doxology, Mrs. J. Yates Killian led in prayer.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. R. Pace; theme, "The Value of United Work."

Prayer by Mrs. H. B. Moore.

Hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," was sung.

Miss Addie Leeper, of the Woman's Missionary of Belmont, cordially welcomed the Union.

Response on behalf of the Union was made by Mrs. J. D. Harte, of Hickory.

Roll call and report of societies.

All joined in singing "The Morning Light Is Breaking."

Next came the annual address of Associational Vice-President, Mrs. J. Yates Killian, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. W. J. Clifford and Mrs. H. B. Moore gave "Plans for the New Year."

The following committees were appointed:

Time and Place—Mrs. J. D. Harte, Miss Addie Leeper, Mrs. W. A. Hass.

Nominations—Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Miss Ida Chronister, Mrs. L. M. Hobbs.

Resolutions—Mrs. H. B. Moore, Mrs. J. R. Pace, Miss Burch.

Plans for Work—Mrs. H. J. Clifford, Mrs. Ida Abernethy.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

The service was in charge of the Sunbeam Band of the First Baptist Church of Belmont.

Rev. M. A. Adams, of Newton, N. C., preached the annual sermon; theme, "Personal Service."

THURSDAY MORNING

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 o'clock, and the "Doxology" sung.

The praise service was conducted by Mrs. H. B. Moore; theme, "Jubilate."

Rev. L. M. Hobbs led in prayer.

Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was sung.

A paper, "The Union's Twenty-five Years of Service," was read by Mrs. Marshall Dilling.

The Sunbeam Conference was led by Mrs. J. D. Harte.

Singing, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Mrs. L. M. Coffey led the Personal Service Conference.

Mrs. J. Yates Killian made a short talk on "The Jubilate Offering."

Singing, "The Woman's Hymn."

On motion of Mrs. Harte, seconded by Mrs. Coffey, the Vice-President appointed the following as delegates to the District Conference to be held in Charlotte: Mrs. H. B. Moore, Mrs. J. J. Beach, Miss Ida Chronister, Mrs. J. D. Moose, Mrs. W. A. Hass.

The report of the Committee on Plans of Work was presented by Mrs. W. J. Clifford, and on motion and second was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS OF WORK

The Committee on Plans of Work would recommend for the Association:

1. That our watchword be "Progress."
2. That we strive for greater efficiency in missions and an increased effort in carrying on Associational work.
3. That we seek to increase the number of subscriptions to "Our Mission Fields," "The Foreign Mission Journal," "The Home Field," etc.
4. That we strive to increase the number of tithers.
5. That we seek to secure a regular contribution for missions form every woman in the church.
6. That we increase our Associational pledge to $1,200.00.
7. That we adopt as heretofore the Standard of Excellence, the Annual Report Blank, and the Associational Expense Fund.

8. That we ask the co-operation of the pastors that they see that all money given to missions by the women of the church be reported through the missionary society.

9. That we try to find some young woman who can give at least one-third of her time in visiting and developing the societies in the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. J. Clifford,
Miss Ida Abernethy,
Committee.

Mrs. J. D. Harte made the report for the Committee on Time and Place, which was duly adopted, after discussion.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

We, the Committee on Time and Place, recommend Dallas as the place of meeting for the next session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association, and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September as the time.

We further recommend that the time be extended to two days and one evening service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. D. Harte, Chairman.
Mrs. W. A. Hass.
Miss Addie Leeper.

Mrs. J. D. Harte occupied the chair during the report of the Nominating Committee. The report, as follows, was presented by Mrs. Coffey, and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Vice-President—Mrs. J. Yates Killian.
Assistant Vice-President—Mrs. H. B. Moore.
Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Marshall Dilling.
Executive Committee—Mrs. W. J. Clifford, Mrs. J. D. Harte, Mrs. S. W. Bennett.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. M. Coffey, Chairman.
Miss Ida Chronister.
Mrs. L. M. Hobbs.

Mrs. Killian and Mrs. Moore responded briefly in acceptance of their respective offices.

Mrs. H. B. Moore offered the report of the Committee on Resolutions, and the same was duly adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the representatives of the societies of the South Fork Asso-

ciation, wish to express our appreciation for the courtesies and old-fashioned hospitality extended to us during our meeting. We hope to return to our home societies with new zeal and enthusiasm.

Resolved—(1) That we extend to the ladies of Belmont Baptist Church our sincerest thanks for the bountiful dinners served on the grounds and for their generous hospitality in their homes.

(2) That we extend our thanks to the Hospitality Committee for their kindness, especially to the men who aided in this.

(3) To Rev. M. A. Adams for his inspiring sermon, and the Sunbeams for their excellent program rendered.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. B. Moore, Chairman.
Mrs. W. A. Pace.
Miss Jessie Berch.

Hymn, "Blest be the Tie," was sung.

Mrs. L. M. Coffey offered the closing prayer, after which the President announced the fifth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Association adjourned, to meet in Dallas, N. C., on Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1914.

Mrs. Marshal Dilling, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE AGGREGATE REPORT OF ALL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF THE SOUTH FORK ASSOCIATION

Foreign Missions	$ 308.69
Christmas Offering	60.38
Home Missions	310.31
Self-Denial Offering	26.24
State Missions	391.36
Expense Fund of Central Committee	14.30
Association Expense Fund	9.75
Minute Fund	
Louisville Training School	30.85
Margaret Home	3.50
Bible Fund	10.00
Other Objects	113.46
Total	$1,279.04

Number Members on Society Roll	539
Average Attendance	10

Number Foreign Mission Journals Taken.... 219
Number Home Fields Taken 73
Number Our Mission Fields Taken 38

LIST OF DELEGATES

Rev. L. M. Hobbs .....
Mrs. A. J. Smith .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. W. H. Poole .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. T. A. Wilkins .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. F. J. McAllister .....Sandy Plains, N. C.
Mrs. M. C. Thorne .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. W. H. Penny .....West Hickory, N. C.
Mrs. L. M. Hobbs .....Lowell, N. C.
Mrs. R. L. Garrison .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. H. B. Moore .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. W. J. Clifford .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. J. B. Horton .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. Marshall Dilling .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. J. D. Moose .....Gastonia, N. C.
Miss Ida Abernethy .....Alexis, N. C.
Mrs. C. W. Abernethy .....Alexis, N. C.
Miss Ida Chronister .....High Shoals, N. C.
Miss Lucy Ballard .....High Shoals, N. C.
Miss Ida Etters .....Mt. Holly, N. C.
Miss Mary Lineberger .....Lowell, N. C.
Mrs. J. R. Pace .....Catawba, N. C.
Mrs. W. A. Hass .....Sherrill Ford, N. C.
Mrs. J. Y. Killian .....Newton, N. C.
Mrs. L. M. Coffey .....Lincolnton, N. C.
Mrs. J. D. Harte .....Hickory, N. C.
Mrs. J. B. Leonard .....Newton, N. C.
Miss Uela T. Nicholson .....Newton, N. C.
Miss Jessie Burch .....West Hickory, N. C.
Mrs. W. E. Beatty .....Sandy Plains, N. C.
Mrs. R. B. Dameron .....Sandy Plains, N. C.
Mrs. Hettie Colen .....Newton, N. C.
Miss Bertie Christenbury .....Newton, N. C.
Miss Stella Abernethy .....Hickory Grove, N. C.
Miss Lillie Abernethy .....Hickory Grove, N. C.
Mrs. S. J. West .....Sandy Plains, N. C.
Mrs. J. J. Beach .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. G. C. Moss .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. E. A. Hurley .....Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. F. E. Saunders .....Gastonia, N. C.

Mrs. J. C. Wilson ..... Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. W. Lyle Smith ..... Spencer Mountain, N. C.
Mrs. J. D. Smith ..... Spencer Mountain, N. C.
Mrs. W. S. Smith ..... Gastonia, N. C.
Miss Stella Lewis ..... Dallas, N. C.
Miss Little ..... Dallas, N. C.

CHURCHES	Organization	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Bible Fund S. S. B.	Training School	Margaret Home	Other Objects	
Alexis	W. M. S.								
Belmont	W. M. S.	5.40	2.50	4.70				299.05	
	S. Band	4.00	4.00	4.00				30.00	
	R. A.								
Brookford	W. M. S.	4.00	4.00	4.00					
Catawba	W. M. S.	.85	2.10	1.03					
Corinth	W. M. S.	8.00	7.00	5.50					
Dallas	W. M. S.	37.00	16.00	10.00		2.50		3.25	
	S. Band								
East Gastonia	W. M. S.	15.00	4.00	10.00				2.00	
	S. Band	7.63	3.16	6.72					
Gastonia	W. M. S.	80.25	52.65	111.51		5.00		3.00	2
	Y. M. A.	11.05	3.30	17.75					
	S. Band	28.57	10.00	.55					
Hickory	W. M. S.	61.23	51.76	58.89				11.35	1
	Y. W. A.	36.46	22.65	15.20		8.00		1.50	
	S. Band	48.69	21.78	31.32				.75	1
Hickory Grove	W. M. S.	8.80		8.80					
High Shoals	W. M. S.	8.75		10.00				58.61	
	S. Band	2.30	1.00	9.00					
Lincolnton	W. M. S.	17.25	58.06	15.70		5.35		2.00	
	Y. M. A.	15.00	54.40	16.00		8.00		1.50	
	S. Band	10.00	18.00	4.00				.50	
Loray	W. M. S.	1.95	1.35					2.60	
Mt. Holly	W. M. S.	12.25	5.00	7.00		3.00		39.50	
Newton	W. M. S.	26.83	22.22	17.88				4.00	
	S. Band		1.50	1.50					
Olivet	W. M. S.	1.00	1.00					1.00	
	Y. M. A.	5.00	5.00	5.00					
	S. Band	4.00	3.00	3.00		1.50		6.00	
Sandy Plains	W. M. S.	11.35	6.00	6.65				.95	
Startowm	S. Band								
West Hickory	W. M. S.	9.50	3.65	3.20				6.65	
Total		482.11	385.08	398.90		33.35		474.21	17

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ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator	Osborne Brown, Long Island, N. C.
Vice-Moderator	W. C. Barrett, Gastonia, N. C.
Clerk	J. F. Click, Hickory, N. C.
Treasurer	J. O. Allen, Lincolnton, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thos. J. Ramsour	J. J. Beach
R. S. Lewis	H. B. Moore
J. D. Harte	J. D. Elliott
John Hoover	H. M. Abernethy

J. Yates Killian

ORDAINED MINISTERS

W. B. McClure, Alexis, N. C.	J. A. Hoyle, Maiden, N. C.
W. C. Barrett, Gastonia, N. C.	A. W. Setzer, Maiden, N. C.
J. J. Beach, Gastonia, N. C.	C. A. Rhyne, Maiden, N. C.
J. D. Moose, Maiden, N. C.	G. P. Abernethy, Dallas, N. C.
M. A. Adams, Newton, N. C.	J. J. Waldrop, Maiden, N. C.
J. D. Harte, Hickory, N. C.	G. L. Mullis, Mt. Holly, N. C.
W. N. Cook, Hickory, N. C.	I. M. Hildebrand, Hildebran, N.C.
W. R. Bradshaw, Hickory, N. C.	J. M. Ballard, Alexis, N. C.
J. F. Crisp, Hickory, N. C.	L. A. Bangle, Cherryville, N. C.
R. G. Mace, Hickory, N. C.	L. M. Hobbs, Belmont, N. C.
H. B. Chronister, Lincolnton, N.C.	R. D. Smith, Stanley, N. C.
S. W. Bennett, Lincolnton, N. C.	I. T. Newton, Dallas, N. C.
P. W. Bangle, Lincolnton, N. C.	Roy Williams, Maiden, N. C.
J. S. Connell, Catawba, N. C.	W. A. Stephenson, Maiden, N.C.
W. W. Rimmer, Maiden, N. C.	E. C. Andrews, Mt. Holly, N.C.
C. Q. Rhyne, Gastonia, N. C.	H. T. Stoudenmire, Gastonia, N.C

ASSOCIATIONAL SECTIONS

FIRST—Belmont, Dallas, Gastonia, East Gastonia, Loray, McAdenville, Mayworth, Lowell, Mt. Holly, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Bruington, Long Creek, Sandy Plains, High Shoals, Tuckasege.

SECOND—Lincolnton, Lincolnton Avenue, Sharon, Salem, Mt. Zion, Kidd's Chapel, Mtn. View, Macedonia, Mt. Ruhama, Webb's Chapel, River View, Long Shoals, Bethel, Leonard's Fork, Alexis, Lucia, Faith, Lawing's Chapel, Denver.

THIRD—Hickory, Highland, Corinth Newton, Maiden, Cedar Grove, Piney Grove, Catawba, Olivet, Providence I, Providence II, Thessalonica, Reepsville, Mtn. Grove, Penelope, Startown, Warlick's Chapel, Amity, West Hickory, Brookford.

The Association is not to meet in the same section two years in succession.

PROCEEDINGS

South Fork Baptist Association met in its thirty-sixth annual session with Macedonia Baptist Church, Lincoln County, at eleven o'clock, Thursday, Oct. 22, 1914.

After song and praise service, the Association was called to order by the Moderator, Osborne Brown. Prayer by Rev. G. P. Abernethy.

After another song, the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. C. Barrett. Text, "Upon this rock I will build my church," "Go ye into all the world," etc. Matt. 16, 18:28, 19. At the close of the sermon, prayer by Rev. I. T. Newton.

Letters from the churches were called. Twenty-two churches with letters answered first roll call, and their delegates, together with others reporting later, were enrolled as follows:

Alexis—C. F. Abernethy, S. M. Stroup.

Amity—S. M. Ballard, James Williams, Erick Perkins.

Belmont—W. W. Sanford, Jerome Hagerty.

Bethel—W. C. Mullen.

Brookford—C. P. Edwards.

Bruington—F. T. Hovis, M. L. Morris.

Catawba—M. H. Ervin.

Cedar Grove—T. G. Bost, A. C. Michael, J. W. Hutchan.

Corinth—Thomas Speagle, G. W. Wilworth, R. P. Havnaer, Vance Havnaer, P. G. Havnaer.

Dallas—I. T. Newton, J. R. Lewis, F. H. Robinson, C. Q. Rhyne, P. D. Summey.

Denver—H. M. Abernethy.

East Belmont—M. L. Abernethy, C. E. Houser.

East Gastonia—J. J. Beach, M. T. Saunders, C. E. Rhyne.

Faith—W. H. Ballard.

Gastonia First—J. M. Shuford, H. B. Moore, J. W. Stewart, J. W. Aycock, C. L. Chanler, W. C. Barrett, David P. Dellinger.

Hebron—J. W. Ward, E. D. Fisher, A. J. Bumgarner.

Hickory First—J. D. Harte, W. R. Bradshaw, J. R. Hosley, J. F. Click, R. M. Perry.

Hickory Grove—J. Lee Abernethy, J. L. Rankin.

Highland—J. P. Robinson, W. T. Harris.

High Shoals—J. E. Cronister, Robie Potts, B. E. Morris.

Kidd's Chapel—W. A. Whitener, Joe Graham.

Lawings Chapel—R. B. Cook, T. L. Bumgarner, Bradshaw Lawing.

Leonards Fork—J. W. Hoover, M. H. Hoyle.

Lincolnton Ave—E. M. Hallman, C. W. Clark, Forney Link, Sherman Lewis.

Lincolnton, First—Thos. J. Ramsour, J. V. Blackburn, S. W. Bennett. J. O. Allen, C. L. Goodson.

Long Creek—A. R. Holland, G. P. Abernethy.

Long Shoals—Burgin Gates, Frank Reep.

Loray—A. T. Stoudenmire, L. J. Waldrop. J. E. Campbell, R. H. Redding.

Lowell—W. F. Huggins.

Lucia—Not represented.

Macedonia—W. A. Potts, J. P. Lawing, M. L. Cash, James Norwood.

Maiden—J. A. Hoyle, S. J. Honecutt, J. D. Moose, H. B. Chronister, I. I. Williams, Edward Williams.

Maysworth—Not represented.

McAdenville—John Branch, J. F. Glover.

Mtn. Grove—A. W. Setzer, J. B. Rockett, Calvin Baker.

Mt. Holly—M. L. Fisher, Geo. L. Mullis, C. T. Lowe, E. C. Andrews, M. A. Roper, S. J. Skidmore.

Mt. Ruhama— S. M. Abernethy, W. M. Caldwell, V. S. Turbyfield, I. O. Laney, Hoyle Laney.

Mtn. View—H. P. Dellinger, G. B. Dellinger, J. W. Turrel, C. E. Blalock.

Mt. Zion—P. L. Sigmon, Sister Leckey Cloninger.

Newton—S. T. Gaddy, Elliott R. Stewart, M. A. Adams.

Olivet—J. S. Connell. J. T. Ervin, W. W. Ervin, James Beal, Ivey Litten, Osborne Brown.

Penelope—I. M. Hildebran.

Providence II—Max Burns.

Reepsville—By letter only.

River View—W. H. Caldwell, C. E. Allran, L. F. Caldwell, Walter Laney, Morris Laney.

Salem—C. F. Clanton, O. G. Hill.

Sandy Plains—D. B. Harvel, W. E. Beatty, J. R. McGinnis.

Sharon—L. A. Abernethy, Horace Dellinger. R. E. Hovis.

Spencer Mtn.—W. E. Lowe, W. A. Hawkins.

Startown--Not represented.

Thessalonica—D. H. Ramsour, W. P. Rhoney.

Tuckasege—W. L. O'Daniel, B. A. Crouse, C. F. Lowe.

Warlicks—John Jones, R. C. Perry, Gus Icard.

Webbs Chapel—F. B. Carpenter, W. R. Huffstetler.

West Hickory—W. N. Cook, Preston Hefner, M. L. Christopher, R. G. Mace.

Number of churches 58. Not having letters 2. Not repre-

sented by letter or delegates 2. Delegates present 151.

By motion, the Association elected the following officers: Moderator, Osborne Brown; Vice-Moderator, W. C. Barrett; Clerk, J. F. Click; Treasurer, J. O. Allen.

The Moderator appoints the following committees:

To Audit Treasurer's Books—H. B. Moore, S. T. Gaddy, W. W. Ervin.

On Finance—S. T. Gaddy, J. T. Ervin, T. J. Ramsour.

M. A. Adams, for the committee previously appointed, submits the following partial report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Thursday, P. M.

2:00—Report on Constitution.
2:30—Report on Education.
3:00—Report on Foreign Missions.

Friday, A. M.

9:30—Devotional Exercises.
9:50—Report on Biblical Recorder.
10:20—Report of Executive Committee.
10:30—Report on State Missions.

Friday, P. M.

1:15—Report on South Fork Institute.
2:00—Report on Home Missions.
2:30—Report on Ministerial Relief.
3:00—Report on Orphanage.
3:30—Report on Financial System.
4:00—Miscellaneous Business.

Saturday, A. M.

9:50—Report on Woman's Work.
10:20—Report on State of Churches.
11:00—Report on the B. Y. P. U.
11:30—Report on Sunday Schools.
12:00—Report on Obituaries.
12:15—Miscellaneous Business.

Signed: M. A. Adams,
I. T. Newton,
J. S. Connell,
Committee.

The report was adopted, subject to change for convenience of committees.

By motion, the Association adjourns until 2 o'clock for dinner. Prayer by S. W. Bennett.

On reassembling, and song, "There is a fountain filled with blood," and prayer by A. T. Stoudenmire, the Moderator calls the Association to order.

Other letters were called for, received and delegates enrolled.

The Moderator appoints the following committee on Place and Preacher: J. D. Harte, E. C. Andrews and H. B. Moore.

The committee appointed to revise and amend the Constitution, made their report. The same was read and adopted by sections and then as a whole, the same appearing on another page of these minutes.

The Treasurer makes the following report, with that of the Auditing Committee attached:

TREASURER'S REPORT, AUDITED.

DAVID P. DELLINGER, TREASURER, GASTONIA, N. C.

In account with the South Fork Baptist Association.

RECEIPTS:

1913.	
Oct. 25th, To amount from Finance Committee	$ 78.41
Nov. 22nd, To amount from C. H. Bost	4.50
Nov. 23rd, To amount from Cedar Grove Church	1.00
Total	$ 83.91

DISBURSEMENTS:

1913.	
Oct. 25th, Paid J. F. Click, Minute Fund	$ 60.05
Oct. 25th, Paid S. H. Averitt, Treas.	2.55
Oct. 25th, Paid Walters Durham, Treas.	15.81
Nov. 24th, Paid J. F. Click, Minute Fund	5.50
Total. per Vouchers	$ 83.91

Respectfully submitted,
David P. Dellinger, Treasurer.

We have audited the above report and find it correct.

H. B. Moore,
W. W. Ervin,
S. T. Gaddy,
Auditing Committee.

The report adopted.

The following visitors were recognized and invited to seats in the counsels of the Association: C. C. Carlton, of Stoney Point Association; A. J. Bass and S. A. Rhyne, of South Yadkin; S. A. Stroup, of South Mountain; Dr. Poteat, of Central; A. H. Sims, of Kings Mountain; and Rev. W. C. Blair, of Dendron, Va.

S. W. Bennett reads the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education as defined by one of our leading educators, consists first, in "Self-realization" and second, in "Efficiency." Combining these two ideas the educated man who having developed his natural facilities, performs his special service in the kingdom efficiently. A good degree of intelligence is necessary in order to be a Baptist. It probably requires more general capacity, more of the kind of ability that sees a point clearly and logically to be a Baptist, than is required for membership in any other denomination in Christendom. Baptists magnify the individual interpretation of God's word, and individual responsibility; therefore our membership demands a larger measure of spiritual insight, and trained power of thought, than the membership of any other denomination.

Baptists are the last folks to substitute education and culture, for the simple appeals of the gospel, in winning souls to Christ; but men and women won by the gospel, are certainly better prepared to perpetuate the doctrines of a New Testament church, than those untaught and untrained.

Does it make no difference in the acceptance of our principles by other christians, that in two hundred and twenty Institutions, reporting in thirty-four of our States, the Congregationlists, have one student in college for every sixty-nine members in their church; the Presbyterians, one for every seventy members; the Methodists, one for every one hundred and seventy-six members.

Would our influence upon the future not be far greater, if we could change places with the Congregationlists, and have one student in college for every sixty-nine members in our church?

Baptist churches stand for the salvation of souls; Baptist schools and colleges stand for the salvation of our intellects. A church of redeemed souls and redeemed intellects is unquestionably the greatest human force or factor in the redemption of the world for Christ. Baptist churches have always put the emphasis upon the salvation of souls, this they ought to have done, and not have left the other undone.

Among the greatest Auxiliaries to our churches today, is the Baptist schools and colleges. The Baptists of North Carolina should love and cherish their schools; and we as an Association should especially love, cherish, defend and support our own South Fork Institute. It has a great and glorious mission in our midst. In South Fork Institute, is involved in a large measure, the strength and success of the Baptist cause in this section of the country.

I for one, believe that every young man or woman that returns from our schools and colleges, loyal to our faith, and eager for Christian service, is among the principle assets of the local church with which they are identified. Our Baptist Zion, next to a greater measure of God's grace, needs nothing so much, as a rapid increase of just such assets.

Respectfully submitted,

S. W. Bennett.

The report was discussed by Dr. Poteat of Wake Forest. By motion, the adoption of the report was left over until tomorrow morning.

J. S. Connell reads the following:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The lack of information on the part of so many of our people is, we believe, one of the greatest foes to our mission cause.

Our Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., consists of Nineteen local members and eighteen members at large representing each State in cooperation with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Our Board conducts work in Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Japan, China and Africa.

In these countries we have 380 churches with 833 out stations; 30,000 church members, and 542 Sunday Schools, with an enrollment of 22,000 scholars.

We have also 9376 students in mission schools, 420 of whom are in the Theological Seminaries and training schools, seeking specific preparation for christian work.

The present force of workers embraces just 300 of which number 20 are under appointments, but have not yet sailed for their respective fields of labor.

In addition to these, we have 635 native workers, and we feel that the training of natives for work among their own people is by far the best service we can render.

The work prospers on nearly all the fields, 5252 were baptized last year. The largest number ever reported for a single year.

Conditions at this hour give promise of still more abundant fruits, if we take advantage of the opportunities opening to us everywhere.

But our successes and our opportunities have laid responsibilities upon us and make demands of us which we cannot ignore without turning much of our success into failure, and throwing away our God given opportunity for still larger achievements.

Multitudes have been made ready for the Word of Life. Thousands are awaiting training in the christian life and for christian service. Our schools are over flowing, a score of consecrated young men and women are offering themselves to the Board for needed work, and untouched fields invite us to harvest. Need and opportunity never combined in such a challenge to Southern Baptists. Nothing less than immediate and immense enlargment can answer this challenge.

Shall we prove ourselves worthy of so signal a favor as God is ready to bestow upon us? We are sufficient in numbers, capable in talents and leadership and able in material resources. We can meet the challenge of a great opportunity if we will.

Gifts to the work advanced $44,000 last year over the previous year. But one-half of our people had no part in this advance, and consequently had no part in the blessed results accomplished, and will have no part in the glorious rewards to be bestowed.

Our task for the present year includes: (1.) The completion of the Judson fund. (2.) The enlistment of more than one-half of our church members who have not yet given anything for Foreign Missions. (3.) The development of present givers into larger giving. (4.) The inauguration in each church of a plan of systematic monthly giving for this cause, so that the work may be taken care of and debt and interest payments may be avoided.

We recommend these four objects to the thoughtful consideration of our pastors and churches.

In order that we may intelligently and harmoniously work together towards the same end, we recommend that the Foreign Mission Journal be taken and read by every Baptist family within our bounds, and to secure so desirable an end, we suggest that each pastor in the Association appoint a committee in each church of which he is pastor to canvas the membership with this object in view.

All our people ought to be well informed about a work so great as this of giving the gospel to the nations that are lost.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Connell.

The report was discussed by W. R. Bradshaw, at the close of which, the Association sang: "When I can read my titles clear."

The report was adopted,

W. W. Rimmer reads the report:

AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

Your committee appointed to write a report on aged Ministers relief begs to submit the following:

Baptists of the State are caring for their old Ministers and their widows through the old Ministers Relief Board, located at Durham, N. C., of which Rev. J. M. Arnette is the Corresponding Secretary.

This Board solicits and receives funds with which to supply the actual needs of those old Heralds of the Cross and their widows, who by infirmity of age have become incapicated for the active ministry, and who in the years of their strength thought too much of bearing the message of salvation to the lost to concern themselves about a competency for old age.

There are now being added by this Board, from thirty-two to thirty-eight of these old soldiers of the Cross, among whom are those who were leaders of Baptist thought and activity in their day, and to whose labors much of what we are as a denomination is due. Surely we ought to rally heartily to the call of these old servants of God. Your committee earnestly recommends that the Churches of the Association observe the Christmas offering to this object.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Rimmer.

The report was discussed by W. W. Rimmer, W. C. Barrett and J. J. Beach.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appoints a special nominating committee as follows: S. W. Bennett, W. C. Barrett and M. A. Adams.

By motion, the Association adjourned to meet again tomorrow morning at 9:30. G. P. Abernethy is appointed to conduct the morning devotional services. Song: "Blessed be the tie that binds," etc. Prayer by Rev. W. C. Blair.

FRIDAY, A. M.

The Association meets according to adjournment yesterday.

The devotional exercises for 30 minutes were conducted by G. P. Abernethy. After song and prayer by Dr. R. T. Vann, he reads and comments on the 5th Chapter of I Thessalonians, calling it, "The recipe of happiness."

Song, "Amazing grace how sweet the sound."

The Moderator calls the Association to order. Prayer by E. C. Andrews.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

I. T. Newton makes the following motion: That the Moderator appoint a committee to prepare for the next session an order of business, and that the same be printed in these minutes.

The motion carried.

The committee appointed to nominate, or suggest names and terms of executive committee in conformity to the constitution, submits the following nominations for members of

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For 1 year: J. D. Harte, T. J. Ramsour, R. S. Lewis.

For 2 years: J. Y. Killian, John Hoover, H. B. Moore.

For 3 years: J. D. Elliott, H. M. Abernethy, J. J. Beach.

The report was adopted.

The report on Education, left open from yesterday, was called up, and was discussed by R. T. Vann, of Meredith College.

At the close of his speech a collection of $22.20 was taken towards the equipment of a House of Economics at Meredith College, and turned over to Dr. Vann.

The report was adopted.

J. E. Campbell reads the report on

BIBLICAL RECORDER.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following:

First. The chief aim of the Recorder is to be true to its name, and to be Biblical in its teachings and to be a faithful Recorder of the news as it comes in to us from the Kingdom.

Second. In its nature, while it is fraternal, yet it is firmly Baptistic and true to the doctrines first delivered to the saints and which have marked Baptist progress in the kingdom.

Third. In ownership, it is Baptistic. The plant is now owned by a number of North Carolina Baptists, no one of them holding a majority of stock, and no one holds his stock for financial gain, but for the good of the cause and the glory of God.

The relation sustained by the Recorder and Baptist is "service and support," service on the part of the Recorder and support on the part of the Baptists. Hence the Recorder should have a wider and more hearty support. Every Baptist should not only take and read it him or herself, but help to persuade others to do so, and thus help to spread the news of the kingdom. The better the support, the better the service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Campbell.

The report was discussed by W. R. Beach.

The report was adopted.

A. W. Setzer reads the following:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our Lord's gospel is a gospel for "every creature." The Baptists of North Carolina are endeavoring to carry out this idea within the bounds of the State through the work of the State Mission Board.

As a denomination we believe every individual and community is entitled to the privilege of hearing the gospel as we believe it, and that we are bound by obedience to our Lord to furnish them with the privilege. We believe every community to be missionary ground where there is not a Baptist church. In holding this view we are not narrow, but loyal to our Lord.

The Board has accomplished much in establishing and maintaining Baptist churches in destitute places. Many of these churches are now among the strongest and most liberal of our churches in the State. State Missions and Baptist progress in North Carolina are inseparable.

The work of the Board was this year laid out on a fifty-five thousand dollar basis. In order that a debt may not be reported at the Convention in Raleigh, North Carolina Baptists will have to do some mighty giving to State Missions during the five weeks that yet remain before the books close. If all the churches of this Association have not done a liberal part by State Missions this year, your committee would urge them to bestir themselves right speedily. To much of what makes for the welfare of the people of our State, and too much of that in which Heaven is most interested is at stake for us to permit the cause to suffer because of debt.

Respectfully submitted,
A. W. Setzer, Committee.

The report was discussed in a telling speech by W. R. Bradshaw.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 1 o'clock for dinner. Benediction by M. A. Adams.

FRIDAY, P. M.

The Association reassembles. After a song and praise service, the Moderator calls the Association to order. Prayer by R. G. Mace.

The Moderator appoints the committee to prepare and suggest a program, an order of business for next session as follows: J. J. Beach, S. W. Bennett, J. D. Harte.

G. P. Abernethy reads:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

It is a divine command that the orphan, in some way, be taken care of. This being an age of systems and business-like methods, it is necessary for North Carolina Baptists to have an orphanage system.

Twenty-nine years ago this had a small beginning when J. H. Mills and a few others housed and fed a few children. Its friends have had many hard struggles during the years. Many great difficulties have been overcome. And today finds us with a great orphanage system taking care of about five hundred children.

The housing, feeding and clothing of the children is a very small part of what the orphanage seeks to do for them. It seeks to learn them that they must work, a good school is provided for them, the gospel is preached to them and they are surrounded with all the reasonable comforts of life. It seeks for them to grow up like somebody and be somebody when they have grown up. In the next fifteen years there will be turned out from the orphanage about five hundred young men and young women to settle in every section of the State and, as a result of good training they are now receiving, be a great blessing to their respective communities.

The orphanage has possibly grown faster than some of us are aware of, think of adding 75 children in one year. To say nothing of the buildings, this means that the current expenses are fastly growing. We have a few large givers, but our success at last must depend upon the small givers and every man, woman and child a giver.

Recommendations: 1. We recommend that every wage earning Baptist in this Association make a Thanksgiving offering of one day's wages.

2. That every Sunday School give one Sunday's collection a month to the orphanage.

3. That clubs of C. & C. be taken by every Sunday School.

4. We recommend that you pray for these 500 children and those who have them and this work in charge.

Respectfully submitted,

G. P. Abernethy, Committee.

The report was discussed by Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children.

The report was adopted.

J. J. Beach reads:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee recommended for the past year the following appropriations:

West Hickory field	$ 175.00
Olivet field	50.00
Newton field	200.00
East Hickory	75.00
McAdenville field	150.00
Webb's Chapel	35.00
Spencer's Mountain	50.00
Denver	50.00
Hardin	25.00
	$ 810.00

Your committee have earnestly tried to carry out the policy of the State Mission Board and Baptist State Convention, and at the same time, to only appropriate within our bounds 75 per cent. of funds raised in this Association for State Missions.

Signed: J. Yates Killian, J. D. Elliott, J. J. Beach, T. J. Ramsour, J. D. Harte, H. B. Moore, R. S. Lewis,

Executive Committee.

The report was discussed by J. J. Beach.

The report was adopted.

W. C. Barrett makes the following motion: "That we heartily endorse the effort of the Executive Committee to form compacked mission fields."

Motion carried.

J. D. Harte reads the Trustees report on

SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE.

The Trustees submit the foilowing statement of the affairs of the school:

The session of 1912-13 had a good attendance and did good work, despite the need of repairs to the property, and equipment. We gave a good deal of attention to the debt and are glad to report that future of the school to be in fair shape.

Information came to us that the Caldwell Association had property in Lenoir worth about $5,000 that might be available for school purposes, provided a location could be agreed upon that would serve that section. We were impressed with this opportunity for an enlarged work for our school, and have had quite extended conferences with the Trustees of the Lenoir property. Together with them, we decided that any contemplated removal and reorganization of the school question, should carry with it all

effort to interest the Home Mission Board in our school. In short, we wished the Home Mission Board to take the school over as one of its system of mountain school work. With this end in view, we had a correspondence with Dr. E. A. Brown, and a committee from our Board visited him in Asheville. He assured us of the Board's interest in our proposition, and definitely stated that the Board would favorably consider the matter if we were able to meet the conditions. One of the conditions is, that the school shall be removed to a point north of the Southern railroad, and no further east than Hickory.

We of course, did not feel justified in taking so important a step as the removal of the school without the consent and the instruction of the Association. We are convinced that if such a proposition could be carried through, it would be a wise solution of the problem of the secondary school for a vast territory about us.

We are holding this question of removal and enlargement under advisement, pending instructions from this body.

Prof. S. J. Honeycutt tendered his resignation as principal to the Board at the close of last session. The resignation was accepted and the Board adopted resolutions, expressive of its appreciation of Prof. Honeycutt as a christian gentleman, and for his untiring labors for the school for the past five years. At the last session of the body, the Trustees gave their assurance that it was their purpose, when the school was out of debt, to put the principal and teachers on a salaried basis.

The school was not free of debt, but we considered this matter. We found that the salaries of the principal and teachers needed would amount to about $2500. The best income we could figure out for the first year was $1800. Hence, if we guaranteed these salaries, we would expect a deficit of $700. The Trustees were unable themselves to pay this deficit, they were unwilling to mortgage the property to pay it, and they had no assurance that the churches would pay their salaries. Therefore, we were in no position to guarantee salaries this session. We were in great perplexity as to how to proceed this session. Finally, we appointed a committee of five to make some arrangement to open the school this fall. The committee engaged Prof. Honeycutt for the present session, under a contract simular to the one under which he has served.

In closing this report, your Trustees feel impelled to say that we have served you and your school to the limit of our ability—giving our time, our thought and our money to the school. We

submit the whole school question to your prayerful consideration and we earnestly ask for suggestions and instructions.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Yates Killian,

Chairman Board of Trustees.

The report was adopted.

In connection with the above report, the Moderator who is Treasurer of the South Fork Institute, called Brother M. A. Adams to the chair, and reads the following:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To total indebtedness one year ago	$1,763.81

RECEIPTS

From churches and individual as follows:

Mt Holly	$ 54.00
Dallas	23.00
Catawba	5.00
Maiden	12.00
First Gastonia	122.05
Cedar Grove	3.20
Lincolnton	8.00
Olivet	36.16
First Hickory	133.00
McAdenville	10.00
Tuckasege	5.15
Hebron	10.30
Lowell	5.00
Mt. Ruhama	7.35
Hickory Grove	6.00
Long Creek	51.05
Mrs. P. S. Ramsour	50.00
J. D. Elliott	50.00
Osborne Brown	65.00
J. Yates Killian	25.00
Mrs. Thomas J. Ramsour	100.00
Total	$ 781.26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid on indebtedness as follows:

To J. S. Bridges balance interest	$ 11.00
To McClellan & Gaither balance interest	30.00
To W. L. Sanders balance on note	86.81
To J. S. Bridges interest for 1913	36.00
To First National Bank, Hickory	350.00

To J. B. Bridges interest for 1913	36.00
To J. B. Bridges partial payment on note	200.00
To J. B. Bridges interest to May 12, 1914	14.00
Total	$ 763.81

To balance due on indebtedness at present as follows:

J. S. Bridges, note	$ 600.00
Interest on note to Nov. 1	30.00
J. B. Bridges balance on note	400.00
Interest on note to Nov. 1	12.00
Insurance premiums due on buildings from March 1914 to August 5, 1914	141.00
Total	$1,183.00

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand	$ 17.45
Unpaid pledges—First Church Hickory	29.00
Balance pledges by Elliott, Killian and Brown	260.00
Miscellaneous pledges	175.45
Total	$ 481.90
The balance due, if pledges were paid	$ 701.10

Respectfully submitted,

Osborne Brown, Treasurer.

The Treasurer's report was adopted.

J. J. Beach offers the following resolution:

"That a committee of six be appointed by this Association to negotiate a sale of the property of the South Fork Institute and pay the indebtedness of school and turn balance over to the Home Mission Board to be used for school purposes, and that the committee be composed of the secretary and treasurer of the Trustees, two other members of the Board, and three others outside."

The resolution was lost in confusion, the Moderator ruling it out of order.

J. A. Hoyle made a motion that pledges be taken to pay off the balance of the indebtedness on South Fork Institute, pledges not biding unless the full amount is pledged.

The motion carried, the roll of churches called and $451.00 was pledged.

W. C. Barrett moves that the Trustees be given 30 days to canvas churches not pledging to see if they can get the balance, $250.10, pledged to pay the debt.

The motion carried.

W. C. Barrett reads:

REPORT ON BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

So far as the writer knows this is the first regular report on young people's work ever made to an Association in North Carolina. This department of our work has been neglected too long, but it is encouraging to see the hearty support that it is being given to it by the Baptist State Convention and the enthusiasm with which many of the churches and pastors are taking hold of it. It seems that we are in the dawn of a new era in young people's work in North Carolina. We have begun to see the need of this work and are taking hold of it with a determination that means much to the Kingdom.

The work of the churches has increased in volume and in complications until it requires a trained membership as well as a trained pastor to carry it on successfully. The country is full of strange doctrines and isms. The layman must know the reason for his faith and be able to defend it. There are influences at work among our young people that tend to weaken their denominational loyalty. They must know what they believe and why they believe it. "It is the mission of the B. Y. P. U. to teach our young people the doctrines of our faith and train them for service in their own churches.

We have spent our energies in the past in evangelizing until we have filled our churches with untrained and unutilized members. They are to build or destroy our churches. The opportunity and the task of training them to build up the denomination is ours.

It is the aim of the B. Y. P. U. to train every young member of the church for service in the church. The motto is "We study that we may serve."

The young people's work is carried on in two divisions, the Senior Union and the Junior Union. The Senior Union is composed of young men and young women. The Junior Union is composed of boys and girls.

The organization of a B. Y. P. U. is very much like that of any other working body having various officers and committees. The work of the union comes under three heads:

The regular weekly program, which includes devotional, doctrinal, Bible study and missionary topics each month. Each active member is expected to take part in the program at least once a month.

The Daily Bible Reader's Course covers the Bible once in four years. Each member is expected to read that portion of the Bible allotted each day.

The third division of the work is the Study Course. This con-

sists of a course of thirteen weeks, or lessons, each year in addition to the other regular work. One of the books prescribed by the B. Y. P. U. committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and furnished by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, is used. These books deal with the work and doctrines of Baptist churches.

The last report of the executive committee of the B. Y. P. U. of the South shows that we have 200 Unions in North Carolina, with 500 members. In the South we have 3,193 Unions and 17,695 members. The Sunday School Board at Nashville has two B. Y. P. U. secretaries in the field. We have a secretary, Rev. J. D. Moore, of Ridgecrest, North Carolina, for half his time. He will be glad to give information or assistance in B. Y. P. U. work.

The fifth annual B. Y. P. U. Convention of North Carolina met in Raleigh last June. It was one of the largest and best we have had. The next Convention will be held next June with the First Baptist Church at Mt. Airy.

We suggest that the pastors of this Association make a study of the young people's work. For books, tracts and literature on the subject write the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. We recommend that a report on B. Y. P. U. work be made to this Association each year.

W. C. Barrett.

The report was discussed by W. C. Barrett, and adopted.

H. B. Moore reads report on

PLACE AND PREACHER.

For next Association to be held in 1915.

Place—West Hickory.

Preacher—J. S. Connell.

Alternate—A. T. Stoudenmire.

H. B. Moore, E. C. Andrews, J. D. Harte, Committee.

M. A. Adams moves to substitute Newton as the place instead of West Hickory.

The substitute was lost, and the report of the committee was adopted.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 9:30 in the morning. C. Q. Rhyne was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises.

Benediction by J. J. Beach.

SATURDAY'S SESSION.

The Association met. Devotional exercises were conducted by C. Q. Rhyne, reading II Tim. 4th Chapter.

After prayer, the Moderator calls the Association to order.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and adopted.

I. T. Newton makes the following motion:

That the secretary-Treasurer of the Board of the South Fork Institute hold all moneys contributed to the indebtedness of said Institute subject to the will of the donors in case the entire amount is not raised.

The motion carried.

The Moderator appoints the following to write.

REPORTS FOR NEXT SESSION.

Foreign Missions—W. C. Barrett.
State Missions—J. J. Beach.
Home Missions—J. D. Harte.
Woman's Work—S. W. Bennett
B. Y. P. U.—M. A. Adams.
Orphanage—A. T. Stoudenmire
Sunday Schools—S. T. Gaddy
Biblical Recorder—E. C. Andrews
Education—I. T. Newton
Minister's Relief—A. W. Setzer
Obituaries—G. P. Abernethy.
State of Churches—H. B. Moore
The Moderator appoints following:

DELEGATES.

To Southern Baptist Convention—W. C. Barrett.

To Baptist State Convention—A. W. Setzer, J. J. Beach and J. S. Connell.

J. J. Beach reads the following

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of Home Missions with Southern Baptists is not of their own choosing, nor is it a task of their own creation. Every problem in it has been thrust upon us and there is no chance to dodge the issue. There is not only the duty and privilege of leading the lost to our Saviour, but also the smaller question of preserving our institutions and ideals.

We can not help the fact that there are millions of negroes in our land nor are they responsible for being here, but if we do not lift them up they will lower us, for they are among us to stay. That millions of foreigners come to us every year, is a problem, not of our making or our choice, but they are here, and their need, social, educational, moral, religious, is a constant and insistent call for our help; and not only their salvation and future depend on the wisdom with which we solve the problem, but the future of our South land depends upon it.

There is also thrust upon us in each generation, the redemption and training of our own sons and daughters, and while we are looking after those of other races, we must not forget our own kin. Our children will not be saved because we are, nor will be trained unless we put forth a great effort in that direction.

Our young Baptists hosts must be trained and indoctrinated or lost to our cause. The Home Mission Board has been asked by the Southern Baptists to help us to solve these great problems, and it is our duty and privilege to stand by it with our prayers and means.

The Southern Baptists could solve the problems—great as they are—if we could get the hosts enlisted, but the fact is only a few have seen the vision and responded in any large measure to the call.

The great problem of all is the problém of Enlistment, for when that is solved the others will be at once. We your committee believe that the work of enlistment will have to be solved by the local and we here call upon the churches in the South Fork to make an earnest effort to enlist a greater number of your members in an effort worthy of themselves for the cause of Missions in general.

Last year we gave for this object $1,028.92, about 16 cents each for the reported membership. We hope we will do better this year and have a still further increase next year.

The Home Mission board has proven itself safe and sane, and moreover is standing loyally for our Baptist position in a time of when great stress is being brought to compromise a part of the truth, for the sake of fraternity and Union with others who do not hold all the truth. We commend that the churches of the Association stand by the Home Mission Board in its efforts to solve the problems that are pressing now upon us.

Last year there were more than 30,000 Baptisms reported from preachers supported wholly or in part by the Home Mission Board. But the greater work of Home Missions can not be put into the form of reports and your committee advises that the churches make wider use of the splendid tracts sent out free by the Board and acquaint themselves with the great work being done.

J. J. Beach, For Committee.

The report was discussed by J. J. Beach and I. T. Newton.

Report adopted.

By motion, the Moderator appoints the following committee to examine and report on the application of Denver church to be

come a member of this body: W. W. Rimmer, W. N. Cook and J. S. Connell.

By motion, J. D. Elliott was re-elected as South Fork's member of the State Mission Board.

By motion, the Moderator appoints M. A. Adams to read and explain the statistical tables on the black boards, gathered from the churches.

N. W. Cook reads the following report

ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The Southern Baptist Convention took one of the wisest steps in its history when twenty-six years ago it inaugurated the Woman's Missionary Society. During those twenty-six years, the growth of the Union has been phenomenal. At first, the convention scarcely stopped to consider the little that the society was doing, but as we look back and see what has been accomplished, we can see that the dream of those who laid the foundation has come to pass, and we are living in the realties of their first ideas.

Mark the development of their work in the local church, the association, the state, and in the South land, and we can see that their work is becoming a great factor in our denomination.

These women are real organizers. They have enlisted the young girls in the Y. W. A., the boys as Royal Ambassadors and the children have been enlisted into the Sunbeam Bands. Every department of the church is being developed by them.

They are real givers. They love to give. It is well to remember that they have contributed in North Carolina since 1905 the stupendous sum of $287,000.00 in round numbers. Each year shows a substantial increase over the year previous.

The women of our own Association have kept well to the front. They have gone far beyond their aim of a ten per cent. increase, raising this year more than $1600.00. They have more than doubled their contributions in the last three years.

This year we have about thirty-five Societies with less than one-tenth of the women of the 56 churches enlisted. Only 18 of our 56 churches have Societies.

Here is a loud call to our pastors to urge that every church have a Woman's Missionary Society, a Young Woman's Auxiliary and a Sunbeam Band. They are our helpers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. Cook.

The report was discussed by W. N. Cook, S. W. Bennett, J. J. Beach and I. T. Newton.

The report was adopted.

The committee appointed to suggest names from which to fill any vacancies that may occur by expiration of terms or otherwise on the Executive Board, suggests the following: W. C. Mullen, J. D. Harte, I. T. Newton, W. C. Barrett, S. T. Gaddy, R. F. Craig.

The committee appointed to examine application of Denver church makes verbal report, and recommends the reception of same.

The report was adopted and the Moderator extends the hand of fellowship to the delegate present.

C. Q. Rhyne, for J. D. Moore reads the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

If growth and movement are indications of vitality, the Sunday School is assuredly a living institution. It is growing. It is growing in members. Since 1835 we have had Sunday School Agents or Secretaries from time to time working under instructions from the convention. Since 1870 the following have served as Secretaries: N. B. Cobb, G. W. Green, John E. Ray, M. L. Kesler, B. W. Spilman, Hight C. Moore, and E. L. Middleton. Since 1908 the Sunday School Mission Fund has paid expenses. No denominational enterprise has grown more rapidly. We have now nearly as many schools as we have churches. We have 25,000 more people in our schools than any other State of the Southern Baptist Convention. The organizations are more up-to-date. Teachers are being trained. The schools are giving more liberally.

We now have 245,000 white Baptists in North Carolina. Only 35 per cent. of our Baptist people are enlisted in any Sunday School. Only 85,000 of them are in the Sunday Schools while 160,000 belong to no Sunday School. There are now 190,000 people in our Baptist Sunday Schools while 105,000 of them are unsaved.

At our Association in 1912 forty-eight churches sent in Sunday School reports. There were 397 baptisms reported and 283 of these were from the Sunday School. Nine churches did not report any Sunday School in 1912. In 1913 there were 533 baptisms, 360 of these were from the Sunday School. In as much as the Sunday School is so important in our denominational work we should strive for more Sunday Schools, larger Sunday Schools and better Sunday Schools. Our Sunday School Secretary averages over 200 addresses a year. He visits churches, holds institutes, attends Sunday School conventions, and a large number of the Associations. He is doing all he can but needs more financial support.

We recommend that the Sunday Schools in the South Fork

Association take collections for Sunday School Missions at least three times during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Moose.

The following resolution relative to the Sunday School report was submitted:

That the Moderator appoint a committee in each section of the Association and that said committee appoint some one in their respective sections to see to it that they have a Sunday School Convention organized in that section to meet on the 5th Sundays to take place of our Union meetings; and that all three of said Conventions meet together annually just before the Association, and that the Association, decide on time and place for the annual Sunday School Convention.

L. J. Waldrop,
J. W. Aycock,

M. A. Adams offers sub-resolutiun, "That special stress be placed on Sunday Schools at spring session of the Union meeting."

The Adams substitute resolution, together with the original report, was adopted.

G. L. Mullis reads the report on Obituaries as follows:

C. M. ERVIN.

Rev. Charles M. Ervin was born in Catawba County, May 1st, 1871, and died, having been fatally injured in a runaway accident at Bostic, Aug. 23, 1914, age 43 years, 3 months and 22 days.

Brother Ervin was stricken down suddenly in his maturity, and in the day of his greatest usefulness. He was reared in a pious home in Olivet church. He was a good minister of Jesus' church, having borne a good name everywhere he lived and worked. He was a man without guile, an unselfish friend to all people, and especially to Bap-

tist preachers. Our brother was not a brilliant preacher, but he was a good preacher, and he magnified and adorned the office of the ministry.

At the time of his going, he was pastor of the Highland church in Hickory, and of the Bostic and Antioch churches. Brother Ervin has always labored in the hard places and on small financial support, but he was never known to complain. He was a missionary in heart and life. He gave his best years to constructive work in new places. His last and perhaps greatest work was in the organization of the Highland church and erection of their handsome new church house. He will be held in grateful remembrance by that church and all the churches he has served, and by his brother pastors as a man of clean and consecrated life, as a tireless worker and as the defender of the truth.

He leaves behind him for awhile, a faithful wife, one daughter and one son. "He has fought a good fight, he has finished his course, he has kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge shall give him at that day, and not to him only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

J. D. Harte.

G. L. SANDERS.

Brother G. L. Sanders fell on sleep Feb. 27, 1914. He sleeps in the Hebron church yard, the church of which he was a devoted member. He was always at his place in the church and Sunday School with his regular contributions. With his presence, prayers and means, he was a comfort and help to his pastor, which relation the writer had the honor to sustain. He is gone the way of all the earth He followed the Great Shepherd of the sheep, therefore, he is safe in the fold.

ANNIE O'DANIEL.

Sister Annie O'daniel was a member of Tuckaseege Baptist Church and Sunday School. She was ever at her place in the camps of Spiritual Israel. She laid down the cross and took up the crown last March. Her brothers and sisters will rise up, and, in the words of the Master, will say: "She has done what she could."

LESTER RHYNE.

Brother Lester Rhyne laid down life's battles July 9, 1914, at the age of about 22. Brother Rhyne was in the standing army something over a year when he died. He was a good member of Mt. Holly Baptist church. He was a good worker in the church

and Sunday School and was president of the Baraca Class. He was loved by all who knew him. His faith and hope in Jesus were pillows for his weary head in his last hours.

And as Heb. 11:32 says, "Time would fail me to tell of the 62 others who were good mothers and fathers, working righteousness in the home, Sunday School and church, where work in full, will never be known until we stand before him in righteousness and be judged out of the book of life according to our works whether they be good or bad and hear Him say, "Come ye blessed of my Father."

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. L. Mullis.

The report was discussed by M. A. Adams, J. A. Hoyle and others.

The report was adopted.

S. W. Bennett reads for next session.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business for the next session of the South Fork Association at West Hickory on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in Oct. 1915, suggested to your committee is as follows:

11:00 A. M. Introductory Sermon and Organization.
2:00 P. M. Report on Biblical Recorder.
3:00 P. M. Orphanage.
4:00 P. M. Ministerial Education.

WEDNESDAY, P. M.

7:30 P. M. Devotional Service.
8:00 P. M. State of Churches.

THURSDAY, A. M.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Service.
10:00 A. M. Education.
11:00 A. M. State Missions.
2:00 P. M. Home Missions.
3:00 P. M. Sunday School.

THURSDAY, P. M.

7:30 P. M. Woman's Work.
8:30 P. M. Aged Minister's Relief.

FRIDAY, A. M.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Service.
10:00 A. M. Foreign Missions.
11:00 A. M. South Fork Institute.

FRIDAY, P. M.

2:00 P. M. Report of Executive Committees.

3:00 P. M. Miscellaneous Business.

Submitted by the Committee,

S. W. Bennett.

The report was adopted.

M. A. Adams offers the following resolution;

Whereas, Brother Ervin has passed out of this life, therefore be it resolved that this Association tender to his wife and children and his people, the sincere sympathy and prayers of this body.

By motion, the clerk was instructed to have Brother Ervin's picture printed in the Minutes.

A collection was taken to raise money to pay for cut. The amount raised was $2.15, with instruction that what is over buying cut be added to minute fund. (The cut and postage by Parcels Post cost $1.94—Clerk.)

I. T. Newton offers the following

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

That the thanks of this Body are due and are hereby extended to the Macedonia church, pastor and community, for their gracious hospitality during this Association, also to the brethren who have conveyed the messengers and visitors to and from the railway stations and to the Denver Baptist church for their assistance in the same.

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

J. T. Ervin for Finance committee reports minute funds to be $59.40.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the clerk was given $15.00 for work of seeing to the printing and getting out of the Minutes.

There being no further business it was moved and carried that the Association adjourn.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

After song, "Blessed be the tie that binds," etc., the Moderator declares the Association adjourned to meet in its next annual session with West Hickory church on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1915. Prayer by M. A. Adams.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. A. Hoyle, and at 2 o'clock by Rev. Roy Williams. Large congregations at both services.

Osborne Brown, Moderator,

J. F. Click, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association shall be known as the South Fork Association.

2. Its object shall be to educate men called of God to the ministry and approved of the church to which they belong; to support the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the study of the Bible in the Sunday Schools, and to cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention in all departments.

3. It shall be composed of delegates annually elected by their respective churches, each church being entitled to two delegates and one for every fifty members, no church having more than five.

4. Its officers shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually as the Association shall determine.

5. The Executive Committee shall consist of ten members, three from each section of the Association and the Moderator by virtue of his office. Nine members shall be elected at this session, one from each section of the Association to serve one year, one from each section for two years, one from each section for three years. All persons elected after this session shall serve for three years. The Moderator shall appoint on the first day of each session a Committee of three who shall nominate the members of the Executive Committee to be elected. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of all work of the Association between sessions, and shall report annually to the Association.

6. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present on the first or second day of the Association.

7. This Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in October at 11 A. M. The Introductory sermon to be preached immediately before organization.

W. C. Barrett,
I. T. Newton,
M. A. Adams.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. The delegates shall be called each day previous to proceeding to business.

3. The hour for business shall be—Meet at 9:30 A. M., adjourn at pleasure unless otherwise ordered.

4. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, but may designate some one to take his place, if he wishes to vacate the chair.

5. The presiding officer shall enforce order in accordance with "Mell's Parliamentory Practice."

6. The Clerk shall keep a record of all the proceedings of the Association, and superintend the printing of the minutes.

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTION (1881)

Resolved, First, we recommend that every church, for the good of the cause of Christianity, discountenance in its members the aiding in the manufacture, sale, or use of any kind of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and if after being admonished, they will not refrain, the church should expel them.

Resolved, Second, That we will as an Association, withdraw our fellowship from all such churches as will not observe these rules.

This resolution shall be read by the Clerk annually during the session of the Association. (1886.)

NAME OF CHURCHES	ADDITIONS BY				LOSSES BY				PRESENT NUMBER				
	Baptisms	Letters	Restoration	Total	Letter	Exclusion	Death	Total	Gain	Loss	Male	Female	Total
Alexis	6	5		11	2		2	4	7		47	60	107
Amity	16	2		18			1	1	17		34	35	69
Belmont	13	29	3	45	9	1		10	35		79	117	196
Bethel	2	5		7	9	2		11		6	29	51	80
Brookford	40	15		55	11	1		12	43		30	86	116
Bruington	1	3		4	3			3	1		39	44	83
Catawba	4	1		5	1	1	3	5			22	47	69
Cedar Grove	32	5		37	1			1	36		28	44	72
Corinth	4	5	1	10	5	2	2	9	1		61	86	147
Dallas	14	14		28	14		1	15	13		60	69	129
Denver													
East Belmont	1	5		6		2	1	3	3		13	33	46
East Gastonia	28		5	33	5		5	10	23		113	193	306
Faith	1	1		2	2			2			21	14	35
Gastonia First	25	35	1	61	22		5	27	34		163	246	409
Hebron	13	5		18	12	3	1	16	2		34	52	86
Hickory First	3	21	1	25	41	5	4	50		25	93	177	270
Hickory Grove	8	1	5	14	7	6	1	14			82	88	170
Highland	18	22	1	41	4		3	7	34		31	52	83
High Shoals	10	13		23	13	1		14	9		42	73	115
Kidd's Chapel	24	4	2	30	2			2	28		35	60	95
Lawing's Chapel	3	5	1	9	4	8	1	13		4	66	69	135
Leonard's Fork	5	8	4	17			1	1	16		36	83	119
Lincolnton Ave	14			14	12			12	2		41	75	116
Lincolnton First	20	29		49	7	1		8	41		93	124	217
Long Creek	35	21	2	58	14	7	6	27	31		117	148	265
Long Shoals	6	6		12	5			5	7		17	31	48
Loray	34	38	5	77	17	2	1	20	57		91	172	263
Lowell	12	5	2	19	10	2	1	13	6		39	58	97
Lucia													
Macedonia	8	2		10	10	1	3	14		4	86	114	200
Maiden	4	5		9	4	2		6	3		79	99	178
Maysworth													
McAdenville	18	10	6	34	11	18	3	32	2		106	164	270
Mtn. Grove	1	1		2		1	3	4		2	36	39	75
Mt. Holly	42	25		67	11		1	12	55		74	111	185
Mt. Ruhama	15	6	2	23	3	30	1	34		11	96	111	207
Mtn. View	5	7		12	7		1	8	4		31	66	97
Mt. Zion	16	6	3	25	19	1		20	5		70	102	172
Newton	19	16	3	38	15	6	3	24	14		65	116	181
Olivet	31	8	2	41	8		2	10	31		89	122	211
Penelope	6	2		8		1	1	2	6		24	33	57
Piney Grove	9	5	2	16	1			1	15		25	39	64
Provicence	1			1	1			1			27	53	80
Reepsville	2	5		7	3			3	4		17	25	42
River View	8	2		10	6	5	1	12		2	53	85	138
Salem	4	3		7	10		2	12		5	45	72	117
Sandy Plains	21	3	1	25	2		2	4	21		62	97	159
Sharon	7	2		9			1	1	8		28	42	70
Spencer Mtn	1	1	1	3	5	1	1	7		4	32	46	78
Startown											5	10	15
Thessalonica	2			2		6	1	7		5	7	24	31
Tuckasege	3	1		4	7	2	1	10		6	32	55	87
Warlick's	7	2	1	10	1	2	2	5	5		33	89	122
Webb's Chapel	3	1	7	11	2			2	9		19	21	40
West Hickory	65	109		174	25	2	2	29	145		102	205	307
Totals	690	525	61	1276	383	122	70	575	773	74	2799	4327	7126

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Totals
Alexis	200 00	.....	30 83	12 00	.....	.....	.....	242 83
Amity	50 00	.....	.....	4 50	.....	30	.....	54 80
Belmont	400 00	.....	83 53	26 26	8 00	.....	39 24	557 03
Bethel	75 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	60	.....	85 60
Brookford	125 00	66 00	32 23	67 19	.....	2 60	3 60	296 02
Bruington	.....	6 95	20 00	.....	.....	70	.....	27 65
Catawba	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	22 50	148 25
Cedar Grove	30 00	22 50	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	53 50
Corinth	100 00	6 00	1 75	9 30	.....	1 30	.....	118 35
Dallas	500 00	4526 51	18 44	92 68	.....	1 50	44 00	5183 13
Denver	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Belmont	75 00	.....	6 00	15 00	.....	50	13 64	110 14
East Gastonia	1125 00	1248 48	76 29	60 00	24 10	3 00	166 77	2703 64
Faith	57 65	.....	20 87	2 58	.....	50	.....	81 60
Gastonia First	1800 00	5119 21	373 47	.....	10 15	3 00	116 00	7421 83
Hebron	119 75	.....	6 93	50 00	.....	80	43 22	220 70
Hickory First	1560 00	650 00	425 00	165 50	60 00	5 00	383 50	3243 50
Hickory Grove	182 95	7 00	46 80	36 75	.....	90	.....	274 40
Highland	175 00	1257 00	22 00	48 93	.....	1 50	82 94	1587 37
High Shoals	141 91	1081 99	16 19	60 00	.....	1 00	111 79	1412 88
Kidd's Chapel	150 00	.....	.....	5 67	.....	1 60	19 03	173 30
Lawing's Chapel	100 20	7 00	96	18 00	.....	90	20 15	147 20
Leonard's Fork	100 00	.....	8 00	3 00	8 00	90	.....	119 90
Lincolnton Ave	192 42	190 23	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	50 96	439 61
Lincolnton First	1100 00	45 00	167 25	68 90	14 00	2 50	.....	1397 65
Long Creek	325 00	300 00	50 00	80 31	10 00	3 00	35 00	803 31
Long Shoals	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	75 60
Loray	690 14	539 93	141 95	61 85	5 45	1 50	64 40	1505 22
Lowell	171 55	22 00	20 63	80 81	.....	90	50 00	345 89
Lucia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia	144 27	30.50	.....	10 50	14 50	80	22 00	222 57
Maiden	150 00	.....	26 00	44 23	8 00	.....	16 77	245 00
Maysworth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McAdenville	360 00	11 00	17 60	183 52	51 75	1 60	85 60	711 07
Mtn. Grove	100 00	.....	10 00	10 44	.....	1 00	20 50	141 94
Mt. Holly	495 70	75 00	165 92	.....	8 90	3 00	12 15	760 67
Mt. Ruhama	133 34	.....	46 00	4 00	.....	1 40	20 00	204 74
Mtn. View	40 00	2 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	50 00
Mt. Zion	85 00	.....	36 40	.....	.....	.....	5 00	126 40
Newton	500 00	4150 00	106 00	182 39	6 00	3 00	250 00	5251 39
Olivet	450 00	154 00	2 00	114 59	20 00	2 00	54 75	797 34
Penelope	100 00	125 00	5 00	32 00	.....	30	.....	262 30
Piney Grove	75 00	40 00	.....	5 50	.....	1 00	.....	121 50
Providence	75 00	16 20	19 75	3 19	.....	1 00	.....	115 14
Peepsville	9 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	11 50
River View	137 70	.....	78 25	19 50	.....	.....	27 46	262 91
Salem	100 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	106 60
Sandy Plains	200 00	.....	4 00	21 50	10 00	2 00	30 70	268 20
Sharon	.....	.....	10 85	5 25	.....	60	.....	16 70
Spencer Mtn.	145 80	.....	.....	45 74	.....	1 00	13 72	206 27
Spartown	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	101 00
Thessalonica	25 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	50	.....	26 50
Tuckaseege	100 00	97 02	12 90	37 77	.....	.....	.....	247 69
Warlick's	.....	.....	20 00	1 50	14 00	25	.....	35 75
Webb's Chapel	20 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 45
West Hickory	300 00	256 00	66 00	84 55	5 00	2 00	60 00	773 55
Total	13,193.53	20,058.52	2,206.79	1,788.40	277.85	60.30	1,884.19	39,469.58

NAME OF CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Ministers Relief	
Alexis	11 23	4 10	9 20	.....	8 85	.....	.....	.....	33
Amity	2 00	.....	2 00	2 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	7
Belmont	61 42	54 86	49 87	.....	88 56	9 15	15 86	13 45	293
Bethel	1 55	.....	2 00	.....	3 50	.....	.....	1 50	8
Brookford	12 25	10 10	14 10	.....	15 55	15 86	.....	.....	67
Bruington	5 00	3 15	3 15	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	15
Catawba	2 56	2 51	2 56	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	8
Cedar Grove	4 00	2 00	2 00	.....	5 00	4 89	7 30	.....	17
Corinth	7 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	1 16	24
Dallas	50 00	9 00	16 00	.....	85 72	3 00	(4400)	.....	207
Denver	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
East Belmont	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
East Gastonia	50 00	50 00	50 00	.....	125 31	5 00	.....	5 00	285
Faith	1 50	.....	1 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Gastonia First	111 52	82 81	97 47	31 85	46 13	256 85	71 09	33 54	733
Hebron	3 56	5 32	4 87	.....	18 12	10 00	.....	.....	47
Hickory First	293 57	221 39	167 05	.....	164 22	307 12	45 38	18 55	1 21
Hickory Grove	12 50	30 55	28 10	.....	2 00	.....	.....	3 00	76
Highland	.....	6 00	6 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	14
High Shoals	11 30	15 00	21 00	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	48
Kidd's Chapel	3 00	1 00	2 00	3 85	6 70	.....	.....	1 20	17
Lawing's Chapel	3 80	3 00	6 05	.....	6 37	.....	.....	.....	19
Leonard's Fork	8 00	5 50	7 00	.....	3 40	.....	.....	3 85	27
Lincolnton Ave	48 07	.....	3 25	.....	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	56
Lincolnton First	74 79	121 76	65 19	.....	165 08	148 00	.....	7 30	582
Long Creek	20 00	17 00	18 00	2 00	10 00	85 00	3 00	5 00	160
Long Shoals	10 00	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22
Loray	36 07	21 43	40 82	9 25	29 48	4 75	.....	65	143
Lowell	10 29	3 69	4 23	.....	19 18	.....	2 73	3 00	43
Lucia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Macedonia	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 40	21
Maiden	.....	6 76	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	21
Maysworth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
McAdenville	42 60	38 45	78 63	.....	38 49	.....	.....	.....	199
Mtn. Grove	19 08	9 80	9 75	.....	13 77	.....	2 58	2 82	57
Mt. Holly	76 50	123 00	11 70	2 50	35 91	55 25	5 00	5 00	319
Mt. Ruhama	20 00	.....	.....	.....	10 14	.....	.....	.....	30
Mtn. View	2 00	.....	2 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Mt. Zion	12 28	10 88	3 77	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	29
Newton	52 50	35 10	42 50	5 00	75 00	.....	4 00	3 19	217
Olivet	15 00	15 00	14 82	5 00	30 75	.....	5 00	5 00	95
Penelope	7 21	2 19	3 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	3 67	28
Piney Grove	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	.....	1 00	1 00	17
Providence	4 00	4 00	4 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	18
Reepsville	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
River View	14 70	4 82	7 03	.....	43 04	.....	.....	2 72	74
Salem	4 00	3 00	4 47	14 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	27
Sandy Plains	34 11	24 17	28 25	2 50	32 50	.....	.....	4 00	125
Sharon	2 50	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Spencer Mtn	6 20	3 35	4 60	.....	19 07	.....	1 15	3 30	57
Startown	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	6 25	.....	.....	.....	31
Thessalonica	1 31	1 00	1 78	.....	1 55	.....	.....	1 53	7
Tuckasege	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Warlick's	.....	.....	.....	17 00	1 90	.....	.....	.....	18
Webb's Chapel	2 00	1 00	1 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
West Hickory	18 00	5 00	6 62	.....	5 91	.....	.....	.....	35
Totals	1,220.77	981 69	876 89	97 45	1,180.45	908 52	205 68	133 83	5,6

CHURCHES	When Organized	PASTORS	Seating Capacity	Value of Church Prop.	Sundays of Preaching	Church Clerk
exis	1903	J. D. Moose...	350	$ 1500	1st Sunday.	C. W. Abernethy, Alexis
nity	1905	Roy Williams..	300	750	4th Sunday.	J, S. McAlister, Lincolnton
lmont	1874	L. M. Hobbs..	300	9000	2nd and 4th	A. A. Armstrong, Belmont
thel	1895	J. A. Hoyle...	500	500	1st Sunday.	W. C. Mullen, Lincolnton
ookford	1907	W. N. Cook...	300	2000	2nd and 4th	J. H. Andrews, Brookford
ington:	1853	W. B. McClure	400	1200	2nd and 4th	A. C. Taylor, Stanley
tawba	1875	J. S. Connell..	500	3000	1st Sunday.	D. L. Wike, Catawba
lar Grove	1912	M. A. Adams..	300	500	4th Sunday.	J. A. Whitener, Newton
inth	1855	C. A. Rhyne..	500	500	3rd Sundav.	G. W. Hood, Reepsville
las	1877	I. T. Newton..	800	9600	2nd and 4th	J. R. Lewis, Dallas
ıver	1914	..	....	....	....	....
t Belmont	1912	C. A. Caldwell	600	2000	1st Sunday.	C. E. Houser, Belmont
t Gastonia	1901	J. J. Beach...	600	7000	Every Sun..	M. T. Sanders, Withers
th	1906	G. C. Ivery...	300	1200	2nd Sunday.	R. E. Ballard, Iron Station
tonia First	1884	W. C. Barrett.	600	25000	Every Sun..	J. M. Shuford, Gastonia
ron	1883	W.A.Stephe'n.	250	1000	1st and 3rd.	W. L. Beach, Mt. Holly
kory First	1870	J. D. Harte...	1000	25000	Every Sun..	J. R. Hosley, Hickory
kory Grove	1873	C. A. Caldwell	400	2000	4th Sunday.	J. F. Abernethy, Mt. Holly
hland	1912	..	....	2500	1st and 3rd.	W. T. Harris, Hickory, R 2
h Shoals	1902	G.P.Abernethy	450	2000	2nd Sunday.	W. R. Rhyne, High Shoals
d's Chapel	1872	M. A. Adams..	300	1000	3rd Sunday.	W. A. Pool, Iron Station
ing's Chapel	1907	W. W. Rimmer	400	1200	3rd Sunday.	D. C. Lawing, Lincolnton
ard's Fork	1882	J. A. Hoyle...	300	800	2nd Sunday.	W. H. Hoover, Crouse
olnton Ave	1911	W. W. Rimmer	300	700	4th Sunday.	J. A. Armstrong, Linc'ton
olnton First	1859	S. W. Bennett	300	8000	Every Sun..	W. L. Mustain, Lincolnton
g Creek	1772	G.P.Abernethy	500	2000	1st and 3rd.	A. R. Holland, Dallas
g Shoals	....	B. E. Morris..	300	800	4th Sunday.	Burgin Gates, Lincolnton
y	1905	H.T.Stoud'm'e	700	7000	Every Sun .	L. J. Waldrop, Gastonia
ell	1892	I. T. Newton..	400	1500	1st Sunday.	Jake Hendrix, Lowell
donia	1869	W. W. Rimmer	400	1000	1st Sunday.	W. W. Lawing, Lincolnton
len	1891	J. D. Moose...	400	1500	2nd and 4th	S. J. Honeycutt, Maiden
sworth	1911	..	....	....	....	....
denville	1887	C. A. Caldwell	400	1000	1st and 3rd.	L. Abernethy, McAdenville
Grove	1881	A. W. Setzer..	400	1500	4th Sunday.	G. F. Huffman, Hickory 1
Holly	1890	E. C. Andrews	600	2700	Every Sun..	F. D. Lowe, Mt. Holly
Ruhama	1816	W.W. Rimmer	400	1500	2nd Sunday.	T. H. Caldwell, Maiden
View	1853	L. R. Williams	350	850	2nd Sunday.	J. F. Moore, Maiden
Zion	1869	R. G. Mace....	300	1000	3rd Sunday.	L. A. McClure, Alexis
on	1882	M. A. Adams..	800	11000	Every Sun..	Elliott Stewart, Newton
t	1833	J. S. Connell..	500	3000	2nd and 4th	J. T. Ervin, Catawba, R.
ope	1888	W. N. Cook...	300	1500	4th Sunday.	J. H. Arney, Hickory, R.
Grove	1904	M. A. Adams..	400	600	1st Sunday.	Lee Setzer, Newton, R-2
dence	1878	S. A. Stroup..	300	500	1st Sunday.	R. L. Asherbraner, Henry
sville	1899	J. B. Bivens..	250	500	3rd Sunday.	Lena Wethers, Reepsville
View	1897	I. T. Newton..	300	800	2nd Sunday.	W. H. Caldwell, South Side
	1847	G.P.Abernethy	400	600	4th Sunday.	C. F. Clanton, Lincolnton
Plains	1863	J. J. Beach....	400	600	2nd and 4th	R. A. Jenkins, Gastonia
n	1854	J. A. Hoyle. .	500	500	4th Sunday.	L. A. Abernethy, I. Station
er Mtn.	1909	I. T. Newton..	200	500	2nd and 4th	John L. Cloninger, Lowell
wn	1896	M. A. Adams..	300	600	2nd Sunday.	J. Y. Killian, Newton
alonica	1830	A. W. Setzer..	300	200	4th Sunday.	W. P. Rhoney. Newton, R 1
sege	1911	L. M. Hobbs..	300	1500	1st and 3rd.	J. W. Miller, Mt. Holly
k's	1875	O. A. Abee....	500	1500	1st Sunday.	A. J. Cooke, Hickory, R-4
's Chapel	1892	C. Q. Rhyne..	200	400	1st Sunday.	F. B. Carpenter, Crouse
Hickory	1907	W. N. Cook...	400	2500	1st and 3rd.	J. R. Pierce, Hickory, R-4

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Post Offices	No. Schools	No. Months Kept Open	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	No. of Church Members in School	No. Baptisms
Alexis	S. M. Stroup, Alexis	1	12	7	104	111	....	6
Amity	S. L. Bollinger, Lincolnton	1	6	6	68	74	33	10
Belmont	W. F. Francis, Belmont	1	12	10	100	110	60	5
Bethel	W. C. Mullen, Lincolnton	1	12	7	40	47	....	2
Brookford	G. C. Miller, Brookford	1	12	10	130	140	70	23
Bruington	D. F. Hovis, Stanley	1	12	8	55	63	....	...
Catawba	H. M. Ervin, Catawba	1	12	5	45	50	18	...
Cedar Grove	John Beard, Newton	1	12	7	58	65	34	21
Corinth	R. P. Havnar, Henry	1	12	7	112	119	25	3
Dallas	P. D. Summey, Dallas	1	12	11	84	95	61	7
East Belmont	D. B. Tritt, Belmont	1	12	7	73	80	25	...
East Gastonia	C. B. Newton, Gastonia	1	12	11	350	361	...	23
Faith	B. E. Ballard, Iron Station	1	6	6	46	52	15	1
Gastonia First	Joe S. Wray, Gastonia	2	12	22	386	408	....	...
Hebron	T. H. Roberts, Mt. Holly	1	12	7	68	75	36	2
Hickory First	C. W. Ellington, Hickory	1	12	27	289	316	150	3
Hickory Grove	J. W. Rankin, McAdenville	1	12	10	123	133	....	8
Highland	W. S. Robinson, Hickory, R-2	1	12	8	150	158	40	10
High Shoals	F. A. McAlister, High Shoals	1	12	9	140	149	74	10
Kidd's Chapel	W. A. Pool, Iron Station	1	12	5	44	49	24	10
Lawing's Chapel	J. A. Huitt, Lincolnton, R-4	1	12	10	120	130	62	3
Leonard's Fork	T. J. Hoover, Crouse	1	6	5	35	40	17	3
Lincolnton Ave	J. A. Armstrong, Lincolnton	1	12	8	130	138	52	10
Lincolnton First	J. O. Allen, Lincolnton	1	12	125	135	75	....	15
Long Creek	H. W. Jenkins, Dallas	1	12	8	150	158	60	25
Long Shoals	.....	...	...	...	...	....	..	...
Loray	A. H. Mechem, Gastonia	1	12	14	422	436	....	34
Lowell	W. F. Huggins, Lowell	1	12	9	139	148	33	7
Macedonia	D. A. Chapman, Lincolnton	1	12	8	65	73	41	4
Maiden	S. A. Rhyne, Maiden	1	12	10	164	174	87	4
Maysworth	.....	...	...	...	...	....	....	...
McAdenviile	Labe Abernethy. McAdenville	1	12	12	396	408	132	17
Mtn. Grove	C. S. Eckard, Hickory, R-1	1	12	5	60	65	20	...
Mt. Holly	R. F. Craig, Mt. Holly	1	12	9	145	154	64	24
Mt. Ruhama	M. C. Laney, Maiden	1	12	11	117	128	83	13
Mtn. View	H. P. Dellinger, Iron Station.	1	19	5	95	100	....	2
Mt. Zion	Edgar Saddler, Alexis	1	12	7	37	44	28	8
Newton	S. T. Gaddy, Newton	1	12	14	137	151	....	...
Olivet	Osborne Brown, Long Island	1	12	11	156	167	95	24
Penelope	F. A. Lock, Hickory	1	12	8	67	75	....	7
Piney Grove	Lee Setzer, Newton, R-2	1	12	6	35	41	...	9
Providence	Joel Huffman, Henry	1	12	6	45	51	26	...
Reepsville	.....	...	...	...	...	....	....	...
River View	S. T. Reep, South Side	1	12	5	75	80	....	5
Salem	C. F. Clanton, Lincolnton	1	12	7	35	42	15	...
Sandy Plains	D. B. Harwell, Lowell	1	12	11	70	81	40	18
Sharon	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Station	1	6	5	50	55	20	7
Spencer Mtn.	J. W. Wilkins, Lowell	1	12	9	129	138	28	...
Startown	.....	...	...	...	...	....	....	...
Thessalonica	.....	...	...	...	...	....	....	...
Tuckaseege	B. A. Crouse, Mt. Holly	1	12	9	66	75	40	2
Warlick's	R. C. Perry, Connelly Springs	1	12	6	45	47	...	...
Webb's Chapel	.....	...	...	...	...	....	....	...
West Hickory	Robt. E. Perry, Hickory	1	12	9	284	293	....	38
	Total	49		552	5777	6329	1608	401

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South Fork Baptist Association

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October 27th, 28th, 29th
1915

The next Session meets with East Gastonia Church, Gaston County, N. C., on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in October 1916, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator - - - Osborne Brown, Long Island, N. C.
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Clerk - - - - - J. F. Click, Hickory, N. C.
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R. F. Craig — H. B. Moore
J. D. Harte — J. D. Elliott
John Hoover — H. M. Abernethy
J. Yates Killian

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J. J. Beach, Gastonia, N. C.
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C. A. Rhyne, Granite Falls, N. C.
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W. R. Bradshaw, Hickory, N. C.
J. B. Pruitt, Hickory, N. C.
W. N. Cook, Hickory, N. C.
R. G. Mace, Hickory, N. C.
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I. M. Hilderbrand, Hickory, R-4
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G. R. Rollins, Lincolnton, N. C.
P. W. Baugle, Lincolnton, N. C.
J. A. Hoyle, Maiden, N. C.
L. R. Williams, Maiden, N. C.
J. D. Moose, Maiden. N. C.
B. E. Morris, Maiden, N. C.
H. B. Chronister, Maiden, N. C.
A. W. Setzer, Maiden, N. C.
Roy Williams, Maiden, N. C.
E. C. Anderson, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Walter E. Wilson, McAdenville
W. W. Rimmer, Maiden, N. C.
R. D. Smith, Stanley, N. C.
M. A. Adams, Newton, N. C.
G. E. Mullis, Mt. Holly, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL SECTIONS

FIRST—Belmont, Dallas, Gastonia, East Gastonia, Loray, McAdenville, Mayworth, Lowell, Mt. Holly, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Bruington, Long Creek, Sandy Plains, High Shoals, Tuckasege.

SECOND—Lincolnton, Lincolnton Avenue, Sharon, Salem, Mt. Zion, Kidd's Chapel, Mtn. View, Macedonia, Mt. Ruhama, Webb's Chapel, River View, Long Shoals, Bethel, Leonard's Fork, Alexis, Lucia, Faith, Lawing's Chapel, Denver, Centerview.

THIRD—Hickory, Highland, Corinth, Newton, Maiden, Cedar Grove, Piney Grove, Catawba, Olivet, Providence I, Providence II, Thessalonica, Reepsville, Mtn. Grove, Penelope, Startown, Warlick's Chapel, Amity, West Hickory, Brookford.

The Association is not to meet in the same section two years in succession.

PROCEEDINGS

South Fork Baptist Association met in its Thirty-seventh annual session with West Hickory Baptist church, Catawba County, at eleven o'clock, Wednesday, Oct. 27th, 1915.

After song and praise service, the Association was called to order by the Moderator, Osborne Brown. Prayer by Rev. A. W. Metzer.

After singing, "There is a fountain filled with blood," Rev. S. Connell preached the introductory sermon on the text, "O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity"—Psalms 118, 25. A timely, practical sermon.

The roll of churches were called and delegates enrolled as follows, including those coming in later:

Alexis—W. F. Huggins.
Amity—L. R. Williams.
Belmont—M. W. Sanford.
Bethel—W. C. Mullen, A. M. Harrell, A. W. Biggerstaff, J. A. Wilson.
Brookford—E. Mae Edwards, C. P. Edwards, Mrs. J. A. Johnson.
Bruington—S. A. Stroup.
Catawba—John Danner, H. B. Croom, H. M. Croom.
Cedar Grove—William Hudson, R. P. Bost.
Center View—J. R. Link.
Corinth—R. P. Havner, Vance Havner.
Dallas—J. R. Lewis, I. T. Newton.
Denver—No letter, nor delegates.
East Belmont—W. L. Chapman.
East Gastonia—J. P. Saunders, E. N. Wallace, J. J. Beach.
Faith—B. C. Ballard.
Gastonia, First—W. C. Barrett, J. M. Shuford, D. C. Williams.
Hebron—C. T. Thomas, C. O. Fisher.
Hickory, First—W. R. Bradshaw, J. F. Click, J. D. Elliott, R. White, J. D. Harte.
Hickory Grove—By letter only.
Highland—H. A. Ball, W. S. Stanley, W. S. Robinson.
High Shoals—B. E. Morris, J. E. Chronister, Earl Chronister.
Kidds Chapel—S A. Whitener, Walter Keever.
Lawings Chapel—R. B. Cook, G. E. Beal.
Leonard's Fork—J. F. Jenkins, Hal Hoyle.
Lincolnton Ave.—E. M. Hallman, J. L. Gilbert.
Lincolnton, First—J. C. Whiteside, S. W. Bennett, G. W. Rol- J. O. Allen, Thos. J. Ramseur.

Long Creek—A. R. Holland, Paul R. Holland, H. L. Jenkins G. P. Abernethy.

Long Shoals—Burgin Gates, Frank Reep.

Loray—W. A. Smith.

Lowell—J. W. Hansell.

Lucia—By letter only.

McAdenville—I. A. Stafford, Julius Jenkins, Carl Lowrance.

Macedonia—J. B. Ewing, W. W. Rimmer, M. L. Cash, L. W Chatman.

Maiden—J. A. Hoyle, James Williams, W. A. Williams.

Mayworth—T. V. Morris, Dewey Smith, R. E. Hudspeth.

Mtn. Grove—A. W. Setzer, Jones F. Abernethy, Calvin Bake C. S. Eckard, J. B. Rockett.

Mt. Holly—E. C. Andrews.

Mt. Ruhama—S. M. Abernethy, McKinley Williams, L. I Williams, W. M. Caldwell.

Mt. View—Jesse Williams, W. F. Ballard, E. C. Bumgarne

Mt. Zion—L. H. Helderman, W. H. Norwood.

Newton—S. T. Gaddy, J. F. Hawkins.

Olivet—J. S. Connell, Horace Kale, J. C. Campbell, W. V Ervin. J. T. Ervin.

Penelope—I. M. Hildebrand.

Piney Grove—A. C. Summie, J. C. Setzer.

Providence, Second—Max Burns, R. L. Asherbranner.

Reepsville—No letter, no delegates.

River View—S. Williams.

Salem—O. G. Hill, C. M. White.

Sandy Plains—R. D. McGhinnis, J. R. White.

Sharon—Horace Dellinger.

Spencer Mtn.—John Cloninger.

Startown—John Burris, J. Yates Killian.

Thessalonica—W. P. Rhoney.

Tuckasege—No letter.

Warlick Chapel—Edgar Berry.

Webb's Chapel—F. B. Carpenter.

West Hickory—W. M. Beard, Pink Carswell, Ed Hammond, M. Spencer, W. N. Cook.

By motion the Association proceeded to organize by elect the following officers: Moderator, Osborne Brown; Vice-Mod ator, Rev. I. T. Newton; Clerk, J. F. Click; Treasurer, J. O. All

The Moderator announced that the Association was ready business.

By motion of M. A. Adams, the Moderator appointed a comm tee to revise the order of business as follows: S. W. Bennett, W. Setzer, M. A. Adams.

M. A. Adams offered the following amendment to the section of the constitution. adding after churches in second lin

'and pastors who have churches within our bounds."

The amendment carried.

I. T. Newton offered an amendment to Section 7 of the constitution as follows: "The annual sermon to be preached at such ime as each session shall determine."

The amendment carried.

After a song, by motion, the Association adjourned to 2:30 P. ., for dinner, prayer by Rev. J. A Hoyle.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After song and praise service and prayer by Rev. W. C. Barett, the Moderator called the Association to order.

After enrolling delegates who came during recess, the following visitors were welcomed to seats in the body: C. M. Robinson Kings Mountain Association; S. A. Rhyne of Caldwell Associan; M. L. Kestler of the Baptist Orphanage; J. B. Pruitt who reently moved to this Association; and E. McGoodwin of Catawba ver Association.

Letter and articles of faith were handed in by Center View urch asking to become a member of the Association.

At this juncture, it was sugested that as Mayworth church l been recently reorganized, it, too. should come back by applition.

By motion, the Moderator appointed the following committee application of churches: J. J. Beach, J. A. Hoyle and J. D. rte.

The Moderator appointed a committee to nominate three mbers of the Executive Committee for a term of three years: C. Barrett, J. S. Connell and W. R. Bradshaw.

The Committee appointed to revise the order of business, re the following:

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Wednesday afternoon.

3:30—Report on Biblical Recorder.
4:30—Report on Foreign Missions.

Night Session

7:00—Devotional services.
8:00—Report on State Missions.
8:45—Report of Executive Committee.

Thursday Morning

):30—Devotional Services.
0:00—Report on Orphanage.
1:00—Report on Education.

Afternoon Session

2:00—Report of State Churches.
3:00—Report on Sunday Schools.

Night Session

7:30—Report on Woman's Work.
8:30—Report on South Fork Institute.

Friday Morning

9:30—Devotional Services.
10:00—Report on Home Missions.
11:00—Report on Aged Ministers Relief.

Afternoon Session

2:00—Report of Executive Committee.
3:00—Miscellaneous Business.

S. W. BENNETT,
A. W. SETZER,
M. A. ADAMS,
Committe

Report Adopted.

E. C. Andrews read the following:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

When our Baptist Convention met in Raleigh last Decemb the circulation of the Recorder had reached the 12,500 mark. T Convention not being satisfied with so small a circulation compar with the great Baptist host of North Carolina, they determined extend its circulation into at least 10,000 unreached Baptist hom

The Convention agreed in the meeting to launch a campai for 10,000 new subscribers at $1.00 each, which resulted in an crease of more than 1,200 new subscribers, so that today the Reco er has a circulation of more than 14,000. We should not be cont until every Baptist home in North Carolina is receiving a wee visit from the Recorder.

The Biblical Recorder is witty, newsy, breezy, informing inspiring.

Your committee desires to offer some suggestions why ev Baptist home should take and read the Recorder:

1. It is a religious newspaper. It deals only with such n as pertains to the Kingdom of God. Such news no intellig Baptist can afford to be ignorant. Therefore, it is strictly a ligious newspaper, and aims to be true to its name, and thorou Biblical in its teachings.

2. It is sound in doctrine. Its mission is loyalty to Ba principles, stimulating Baptist progress, and infusing Baptist and vigor.

3. It is our bureau of information. It represents exclusi

and impartially the Baptist people in every nook and corner of the state, and is especially designed for them. It is the only paper that represents the Baptist people of the state as a whole.

4. It is Baptist property. The Recorder is owned exclusively by Baptists and is controlled by our State Convention. We elect its editor, shape its policy, and utilize its columns.

5. It is a unifying power. It brings us in vital touch with one another, and binds us together as brethren. It also unifies our views on Biblical truths.

6. It is a source of inspiration. It is difficult to inspire the uninformed. They know not the needs nor the possibilities. Therefore it is difficult to arouse them to action. The Recorder has a great field, and a tremendous task to perform among our people. It recognizes the mutual needs of our people and seeks to meet those needs.

For more than four-fifths of a century the Recorder has been going up and down through every nook and corner of this State seeking to inspire and help those whom she visits.

Therefore, I would urge every loyal pastor in this Association to strive to place this most valuable, inspiring and helpful paper in every Baptist home, since it will help both pastor and people.

Respectfully submitted.

E. C. ANDREWS,
For the Committee.

Pending a motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Rev. J. R. Beach, traveling correspondent of the Recorder.

The report was adopted.

J. D. Harte, for the committee, read the following report on the application of new churches:

CENTER VIEW AND MAYWORTH

The committee appointed to consider the application of new churches in the fellowship of the Association, begs to report as follows:

Center View Baptist church, on the Denver road from Maiden to Denver, was organized, Sept. 12, 1915, in the regular way, and its church covenant and articles of faith we find to be those usually adopted by Baptist churches, and our view is the church is sound in the faith. We, therefore recommend that Center View be received into our Association.

Mayworth, also on investigation, we find reorganized in the regular way, sound in their faith, and we recommend that this church be recognized in the Association as formally.

J. J. BEACH,
J. A. HOYLE,
J. D. HARTE,
Committee.

The report was adopted, and the delegates of Center View

and Mayworth churches, were given the right hand of fellowship and duly enrolled as delegates.

W. C. Barrett read the following:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Since this Association met last, the Foreign Mission Board sustained a heavy loss in the death of R. J. Willingham, who had been Secretary of the Board since 1893. His death occurred in Richmond, Va., December 20th, 1914.

At present there are three Secretaries of the Foreign Mission Board, with offices at Richmond, Va. Dr. J. F. Love, Home Secretary, Dr. T. B. Ray, Foreign Secretary, and Dr. Wm. H. Smith, Editorial Secretary.

The Board is carrying on work in China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina. There are 398 Missionaries laboring on these fields, with 148 ordained and 503 unordained native helpers. There are 382 churches, 56 of which are self-supporting, and 819 out-stations, with a membership of 33,584. There are 187 Houses of Worship. The Sunday School number 594, with 23,959 scholars. There were 5,190 baptisms on Foreign Mission Fields last year.

The financial statement of the Board to the Southern Baptist Convention last May showed that the receipts for the year amounted to $537,073.66, leaving a deficit of $91,800 dollars. Of this amount $68,024 dollars was brought forth from last year. This debt was due to two causes perhaps. The special effort to raise the Judson Centenial Fund, and the European war, which paralyzed business in the South.

The opportunity has never been so great, due to the rapidly changing condition on Foreign fields, and the results of the war in Europe and Mexico. The people of Japan and China have caught a new vision of life. They have accepted the Western civilization and are seeking a religion that can't be adjusted to the new order. When the war is over in Europe papal and Mohammedon countries will be fertile for pure christianity. When the war is ended in Mexico the people will charge Catholicism with the bloodshed there. Our missionaries will be confronted with a prospect never before seen in Mexico.

The fields surely are white unto harvest, and the reapers are ready. Shall we send them into the field? The call is to us. What shall our answer be?

We will not be able to answer as we should until all the churches and all the individuals in the churches adopt the simple scriptual plan of regular systematic giving, 1 Cor. 16-2. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."

W. C. BARRETT.

Pending a motion to adopt, the report was discussed by W.

Barrett and J. D. Harte.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees on digest of church letters: M. A. Adams and G. W. Rollings.

After announcements by Pastor, W. N. Cook, relative to homes assigned delegates, by motion, the Association adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

Song—"Bless be the tie that binds." Benediction by Rev. J. B. Pruitt.

NIGHT SESSION

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. C. Andrews.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The committee appointed to nominate three members for the Executive Committee, report the following names: J. D. Harte, T. J. Ramseur and R. F. Craig, the same to serve three years.

By motion the report of the committee was adopted and its nominees were duly elected.

Dr. R. T. Vann, Agent of the Educational Board, and Dr. Livingston Johnson, Secretary of the State Mission Board, were welcomed to seats in the Association.

By request of J. D. Harte, the report of the Executive Committee was deferred until tomorrow.

J. J. Beach read the following:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Missions means giving the gospel of Jesus to the lost anywhere and everywhere. State Missions means giving the gospel to those who have it not in our state, and this stands at the head of the list by divine appointment. This is a backbone enterprise of our domination. It carries many things with it now, as year by year new problems have been thrust upon our board. There is the roblem or organizing and aiding the weak church—developing the nembers into efficient workers—aiding in erecting suitable houses f worship—and also fostering the Sunday School work, the B. Y. . U., colportage and women's work.

Our work is laid out this year on a basis of $55,000 and is usu- at this date with a large part of that, not raised. It is more nportant that we raise the full amount before the convention this ear than before.

First; because of our abundant prosperity this year, we can not press our gratitude to God by anything less than a magnificent fering.

Second; the work has been so greatly blessed of the Lord as results.

Third; our faithful leader who has been at the helm for 15 years s resigned and will not serve after the convention, and we are e it to him and the Lord's work, and to his successor in office

that we take all debt off this work for the beginning of a new year.

We call upon the churches of the South Fork Association to rally as never before to this work and to do so immediately upon your return from the association as the books close on the 16th of November this year.

Last year the South Fork Association gave to State Missions $1,220.77, and the executive committee apportioned $850.00 to be expended within the bounds of this association. Our missionaries have done faithful work and besides the strengthening of the cause in other ways have baptized 131 at our mission points this year.

We commend to your earnest prayers the brethren who are working under the State Mission Board throughout the state.

We earnestly recommend that the churches send a contribution to State Missions at least every three months, so that we may help to avoid the terrible strain at the close of the year.

J. J. BEACH.

The report was discussed by J. J. Beach and Livingston Johnson. The Association rose and sang—"O land of rest for the I sigh."

The report was adopted.

A. W. Setzer offered the following:

RESOLUTION

Whereas, there are a number of communities within the territory of this Association where Baptist preaching is not maintained, and in some of which a Baptist has never preached, therefore,

Resolved, First, that this Association return to the custom of prosecuting Associational Missions.

Resolved, Second, that, in order to furnish the Executive Committee with a working basis, pledges be taken for this object.

The resolution, after full discussion, was not adopted.

After announcements, the Association adjourned until 9:3(tomorrow morning.

Song—"Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Praye by W. R. Bradshaw.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

After devotional services conducted by W. W. Rimmer, th Moderator called the Association to order.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seat in the Association: Rev. I. W. Thomas, Moderator of Caldwell As sociation, A. E. Helton of the same association, and B. W. I Simms, pastor of the First Baptist church in Lenoir.

The Moderator appoints the following committees: Place ar Preacher.—T. J. Ramseur, I. T. Newton and J. Yates Killian; ar Auditing Treasurer's books—W. W. Ervin and A. M. Harrell.

R. G. Mace read the following report:

THE ORPHANAGE.

Perhaps the most important work before North Carolina Baptists today is the care of the indigent orphan. This work is one that should lie very close to the hearts of every citizen, because it raises the standard of our citizenship.

The Orphanage is one of the mightest forces for civic and moral righteousness in the land. It gathers up the indigent children of the State and molds them into useful men and women. The dependent child is its raw material; the educated, christian citizen its finished product.

Immorality, vice and crime are the result of improper training of child life. In all our penal institutions, there may be found those who are there because they were, in infancy or early childhood, left without a father's council or a mother's care. Turned out upon the cold mercies of a mercenary and self-seeking world, they have gone to the pit with no one to warn or to restrain.

Had the doors of the Orphanage been open to them, their lives, their usefulness and their souls could have been saved.

It is said that only one out of every five of the needy orphans of our state have been able to find shelter in any Orphanage. If this be true there are in North Carolina today two thousand children without a father or mother or home for whom we as Baptists are responsible. We have now in our institution, five hundred children—450 at Thomasville and 50 at The Kennedy Home —which is only about one-fifth of our responsibility as Baptists. There are, then, about two thousand homeless and friendless ones for whom we are doing nothing. To allow these to go down to ruin is a sin, the results of which will be irremediable.

The care of five hundred children now in the Orphanage calls for the annual outlay of a stupendous sum of money—nearly $57,000.00—and every penny of this amount must come from the Baptists of the State as we receive no support from any other source.

Then, too, the extensions and improvements which have been recently made, together with the advance in price of most staple commodities, have involved the institution in debt to the amount of about $35,000.00—almost its borrowing limit.

Now, in view of these facts, we recommend:

1st. That a collection be taken for the Orphanage once each month in every Sunday school within the bounds of our Association, and that every member be urged to contribute.

2nd. That our people be urged to subscribe to Charity and Children, and that every Sunday School subscribe to not less than ten copies of the paper.

3rd. That on or near Thanksgiving day, every member, and all others who can be induced to do so, give to the Orphanage an amount equal to one day's wages or income, and every pastor or

Sunday school superintendent keep the matter before the people.

Respectfully submitted.

R. G. MACE.

Pending the adoption, the report was discussed by R. G. Mace, M. L. Kestler and others.

The report was adopted.

I. T. Newton read the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION

It has been said that a proper estimate cannot be made of anything until it touches a life. This is doubtless true.

The value of education may therefore be seen from the fact that it is the training of the life forces so that these become better mediums for the expression of that life. In this way even the very animals about us are so trained that their life expresses itself in better service to man.

But man is a higher order of being,—hence his life may have it's forces so trained that the life will find a far higher type and more varied form of expression.

Of the human-life forces education has to do with at least three:

1st. The clarifying of the vision, or increasing the power of discernment.

2nd. The development of the power of appreciation.

3rd. Trained application, or increased power of doing.

Including these, every life has a tendency towards some particular line; and hence, universally true is the proverb, "Train up a child according to his bent and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Baptists have ever believed in the liberty and commensurate responsibility of the individual. Therefore they lend their aid to schools fostered by the State, especially the common schools, since many of our children will never attend any other. Also some of our Baptist people have built good private schools not inferior to any of similar grades. But the chief concern in our associational capacity is for our denominational schools, including Secondary Schools, Colleges and Theological Seminaries. These stand, or should stand for distinctively Baptist training. Increased attendance at practically all these institutions calls for increased equipment and teaching force, and this in turn calls for increased contributions.

There are now at Wake Forest College eighty (80) ministerial students, and from this State there are twenty at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Of the funds contributed for ministerial education in this State it has been deemed wise to use five-sevenths at Wake Forest and two-sevenths at the Seminary.

We recommend,—

That this Association carefully consider it's relation to the

New Board of Education elected at the last Baptist State Convention.

2nd. That the Clerk be instructed to provide a column in the Minutes of the Association for Christian Education, and our churches be asked to include this important object in their beneficent gifts.

Respectfully submitted.
I. T. NEWTON.

Pending adoption, the report was discussed by I. T. Newton and Dr. R. T. Vann.

The report was adopted.

J. J. Beach asked for contributions for East Belmont church.

J. A. Hoyle asked for help to cover the old church building, favorably known once as Providence 1st.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 2:00, P. M.

Prayer by I. T. Newton.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After devotional exercises and prayer by Rev. B. W. N. Simms, the Moderator called the Association to order.

Rev. J. P. Gwaltney, of Alexander Association was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The Moderator appoints the following delegates to State Convention.—J. A. Hoyle, W. F. Huggins, S. A. Stroup and to Southern Baptist Convention,—W. C. Barrett.

By motion, J. D. Elliott was re-elected as this association's member of the State Mission Board.

M. A. Adams explains the digest of letters as he had them tabulated on the wall chart.

By motion, the Clerk is instructed to have 1,000 blank church letters to the Association printed. The following committee were appointed to draft said blank letters: J. D. Harte, J. F. Click and I. A. Adams.

G. P. Abernethy introduced the following:

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that it is the duty of every church clerk, who can possibly arrange to do so, should send their letters to the Clerk of the Association at least ten days before the Association meets.

The resolution was adopted.

I. T. Newton introduced the following:

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the delegates be asked to furnish to the Clerk the Association information as to pastoral charges, and that the same be suitably indicated in the minutes.

2nd. That the churches be asked to furnish this information in their Associational letters hereafter.

The resolution was adopted.

S. T. Gaddy read the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Isaiah 54:13 we have these words: And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord. The writer will take this as his authority for what he will say on this important subject.

The writer represents one of the most important, yet most neglected; one of the most essential, yet the least thought of; the most dead, yet the livest part of a Baptist church, or any other church for that matter.

Observation, experience and statistics convinces us that the Sunday schools of our Baptist churches receive less sympathy, less attention and less support by a very large part of our church members than any other part of our work. Should anyone feel disposed to feel that the writer is inclined to be pessimistic or an extremist, we refer you to the statistical report of our association, or better perhaps, look at conditions in your own church.

The writer feels that a very large percentage of our church members and perhaps some of our pastors do not realize the real value of the Sunday School to our church life. Electing some member of the church as superintendent of the Sunday School should not mean that the work and responsibility of other members of the church is done by no means. The superintendent of the Sunday school is not able to do the work of the whole church and cannot do the things for which others are responsible.

We often speak despairingly of the results obtained by our missionaries on the Foreign Fields and yet if we will look back at the progress we have made in enlisting our church members in the Sunday school work, we will almost be convinced that we have not made the progress along this line that has been made on the Foreign Fields. For the past 80 years we have had Sunday School Agents or Secretaries and not until just a few years ago was this work self-sustaining. With all the work that has been done along this line, we have been able to enlist only about 35 per cent of the Baptists of North Carolina in the Sunday School work.

We pride ourselves over the fact that we are a great denomination in North Carolina, numbering more than 250,000 church members but when we think of the sad fact that less than 100,000 of this large number are members of our Sunday Schools, we cannot refrain from hanging our heads in shame. Another very important thing that should arouse us to our duty is the fact that we have in our Sunday schools more people who are not members of the church than we have of the church members. Of course a great many of these are children of tender years but that should cause church members to realize more strongly the great possibility of not only attending the Sunday school but of throwing themselves enthusiastically into this great work. These children need attention, need to be taught to sing gospel songs, to be taught to reverence th

house of the Lord, to be taught the great lessons of the Bible and above all else, that they have an immortal soul that must spend eternity somewhere. Furthermore, these children need the presence, help and encouragement of older people who are members of the church.

Our last associational statistics report 55 churches, of which 49 Sunday schools and of this number 43 are kept open all the year. Our church membership reported last year was 7,126 and the Sunday school enrollment was 6,329. The 33 churches reporting attendance of church members in Sunday school, have a membership of 4,349, a Sunday school enrollment of 3,801, of which number only 1,608 are church members, or a little less than 37 per cent of their church membership. This leaves the large number of 2,193 in 33 Sunday schools who are not members of the church. An average of 66 in each school. Of the 38 churches reporting baptisms from the Sunday school, they report 613 baptisms and 401 of these from the Sunday school, which is about 65 per cent of the total received by baptism into these churches. Perhaps the percentage from the other 11 churches not giving this information was equally as great, perhaps more, as several of our best churches did not give this information. These are facts that are well worth consideration by every member of the church within the bounds of our association.

The report of Secretary Middleton shows that about 80 per cent of the gains made to our church membership comes from the Sunday school, even though it is so poorly supported by many of our churches and church members. Thus we see that the Sunday school is merely a training for the effective work of the church.

The writer does not believe in the custom of training, catechising or educating children into the church, but does strongly believe in teaching them the word of God, the love of a Saviour who died for them and as best we can, the Biblical plan of salvation, before they become hardened by sin and slip through our fingers as it were, out into the world and become harder to reach. This training perhaps can be done more effectively in the Sunday school than anywhere else, the home excepted. When our church members as a whole realize this fact, we will throw ourselves more earnestly into the work and make the Sunday school a regular hotbed or incubator for the church, as it should be.

The writer believes that a better day for the Sunday school is just dawning. As our people become better educated, provide themselves with more modern conveniences, better homes and learn to appreciate their church more, they will be made to realize the duty and responsibility resting on them for carrying-out this great work, but gradually they will enlist and give it their support and thereby place the standard of the Sunday school where it justly belongs—at the fore-front of our church work—and the results obtained will be

far greater than the dream of our greatest dreamer. Let us as members of Baptist churches, realize this great opportunity that is afforded us and grasp it before it is too late.

Indeed here is a great opportunity for all our churches and pastors to do a work that will return to them great results. The great question is: Will we do it? The field indeed is white with harvest.

We would recommend (1) that every member of our churches do their very best to maintain a Sunday school twelve months in the year and do our very best to enlist all church members in this work.

(2). That we give one Sunday contribution in each month for our Orphanage at Thomasville.

(3). That each Sunday school take a club of Charity and Children for distribution in the school.

S. T. GADDY.

The report was discussed by S. T. Gaddy, G. P. Edwards and J. O. Allen.

The report was adopted.

J. J. Beach read the following:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive Committee submits the following report:

We apportioned for last year of the $1,220.77 given to State Missions as follows:

West Hickory and Brookford. To W. N. Cook	$100.(
Highland and Penelope. To W. N. Cook	150.(
Newton, Piney Grove and Cedar Grove. To M. A. Adams	175.(
Denver and Kidd's Chapel. To M. A. Adams	75.(
McAdenville, Hickory Grove, East Belmont and Maywortn. To W. E. Wilson	150.(
Spencer Mountain. To I. T. Newton	70.(
Point near Dallas and Stanley. To G. P. Abernethy	60.
Olivet and Catawba. To J. S. Connell	50.
Webb's Chapel. To C. Q. Rhyne	35.
Total	$865.

The Executive Committee will meet in the Baptist church Lincolnton on Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in November for t purpose of making appropriations and hearing requests for during the year. And we ask all churches desiring aid for n year to have their applications properly filled and endorsed and the hands of one of the committee by that date.

Any one knowing any distitute and promising field in bounds of this association are asked to let some member of the co mittee know of it before this meeting.

OSBORNE BROWN,
J. D. HARTE

J. D. ELLIOTT,
J. Y. KILLIAN,
T. J. RAMSEUR,
B. N. MOORE,
R. S. LEWIS,
J. J. BEACH,
JOHN HOOVER,
H. M. ABERNETHY,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

M. A. Adams read the report on

B. Y. P. U.

The work among our young people has been prosecuted in a esultory way for a long time. Now it has assumed an organic elation to our work. The B. Y. P. U. fills a place that no other rganization ever has or can fill. It is simply a method of training ur young people for efficient service. They have a good line of terature and a superb study course. Rev. J. D. Moore is now ving half of his time to this work. Unions are being organized roughout the state. They have their B. Y. P. U. state meeting mid summer. We most heartily commend this department to e earnest consideration of the churches and ask their hearty co-eration.

Respectfully submitted.
M. A. ADAMS.

The report discussed and adopted.

I. T. Newton read the following report on

PLACE AND PREACHER

Your committee on Place and Preacher for next year, beg ve to report the following:

Place—East Gastonia.

Preacher—J. D. Harte.

Alternate—Walter E. Wilson.

T. J. RAMSEUR,
I. T. NEWTON,
J. YATES KILLIAN,
Committee.

J. D. Harte made a motion to amend the report by substituting mont in place of East Gastonia.

Motion to amend lost.

The original report was adopted.

G. P. Abernethy read the following:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

During the past year 33 of our members have passed away. re is no duty of this Association so sacred as this one, that we ld stop our work and plans for the future and spend a devo-

tional half-hour in memory of those who have gone from among us. It seems but as yesterday that we were at Macedonia with another list of deceased ones and all of the following list was then with us. This should remind us that, ere long, a list will include each one of us. Then we should watch and be ready for in such an hour as ye think not your Lord doth come.

We give the list by churches:

Belmont—Brother Davis Culp who has held various official position in the years gone. He was always depended upon to do his part in every matter of church business.

Hebron—Sister Callie Miller. She was a very consecrated woman.

Brother A. L. D. Bumgardner who was a Deacon and Sunday school leader and a great light for Christ in the community which he lived. He will be greatly missed in the church and community.

Lowell—Mrs. M. A. Teague; Will Harris. Two very consecrated and useful members.

Spencer Mountain—Mrs. S. W. Watters. A very worthy Sister who loved her church.

Mt. Holly—Mrs. Lucy Looper died June 16, 1915, age 26 years and 4 months.

Mrs. Nathaniel Moore died June 22, 1915. These died in the Faith.

West Hickory—Wesley Evins. Brother Evins was about 5[illegible] years old. a faithful Deacon and a good man.

Highland—Brother P. S. Murry who was about twenty years old and a very consecrated young man.

Brookford—Mrs. Arline Clark. She was about 23 years old A splendid young lady.

Bruington—Mrs. Fannie Morris. 68 years old. The widow of the late Rev. J. F. Morris who died 16 years ago. She was a noble woman and will be greatly missed by this church where she has been a member so long. Her husband served this church for years during his ministry.

Mrs. Carrie Smith, wife of Brother John Smith, mother of Rev. Robt. L. Smith, passed over the river during the year. A true and devoted christian mother.

Mrs. Sarah Smith, one of our oldest and most devoted Sisters has gone to her reward.

Macedonia—Johnson Burk, one of our oldest Deacons went to his reward during the year.

Lincolnton Ave.—Guy Woodard, a splendid young man, was suddenly taken from among us to the spirit land.

Long Creek—Mrs. Emma Bumgardner. A beautiful christian life came to a close when she left us.

Salem—Mrs. Caleb Rhyne died in the Faith.

East Gastonia—During the year four of our number have been called from among us, as follows: Brother Henry Caldwell

Brother W. H. Whisnant, Mrs. Charley Long and Mrs. Sophia Robinson-Groaner. Sister Groaner was baptized fifty years ago by Brother Geo. W. Wilkie into the fellowship of Long Creek church and has been a faithful soldier of the Cross ever since. The others were also consistent members.

Gastonia First—During the year three of our members have died as follows: Brother Torrence Wagstaff, Mrs. T. C. Childers and Adline Veach. These were faithful and consistent members.

Sandy Plains—Our brother, Jacob Prior, a faithful veteran of the Cross has gone to his reward. We miss him.

McAdenville—Sister, Mrs. Lucy Cashion and Mrs. Martha Webb two of our beloved members went to their reward during the year.

Warlicks Chapel—Brother Philip Warlick, one of our oldest members, 45 years of age. For 29 years he had lived a devoted christian life.

Olivet—Jeptha P. Stewart died April 2, 1915, in his 79th year. In early life he united with the church, where he was always at his place, helping with his counsel and his means. He was a brave soldier, a good citizen, a loving husband, a staunch Baptist and a devoted christian.

Bethel—Our dear Brother, A. M. Schrum went to his reward during the year. The church and community miss him.

Lincolnton, First—Our young Bro. W. F. Allen, a member of the U. S. navy, died in Norfolk, Va., Feb. 8, 1915. At the age of 13, he professed faith in Christ and joined the church, and remained a consistent member until his death. He was a good son, good soldier, a good christian and has gone to a good reward.

Also, Bro. S. J. Hawkings died March 15, 1914, aged 85 years. He joined the church at 35. He was a deacon for 30 years. He lived a consistent christian.

Sister Nancy Cline died Feb. 12, 1915. She sleeps in the Mt. Ruhama grave yard, but was a member of Mtn. View Baptist church. She was a consecrated christian and devoted wife and mother. Her influence for good will continue to live in the lives of her children.

The report was discussed by G. P. Abernethy, and adopted.

By motion, the Clerk was instructed to condense the report on obituaries, but he couldn't when it came to the mention of the dead.

By motion, the Association adjourned to 7:15 P. M.

Prayer by J. S. Connell.

NIGHT SESSION

After song and praise service and prayer by S. W. Bennett, the Moderator called the Association to order.

S. W. Bennett read the following:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

That Auxiliary which comes nearest living up to its name of

any that I know, is the Woman's Missionary Society, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. The women are indeed a Helpmeet to man in the greatest interprise of the age, the conquest of the world for Christ. Their name is legion, an yet their forces are increasing annually; and with our prayerful and earnest sisters as our allies, are we are not well able to go up and possess the land?

We sincerely sympathize with our sisters in the very great loss which they have sustained in the death of their wise and consecrated leader, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck. We join them in earnest prayer that the Great Head of the church, the Great founder of our Missionary enterprise, may raise up from among them another consecrated and Spirit-filled leader, upon whom they can all unite, and who shall lead them to even greater achievements than they have yet known.

This year the women of our S. B. C. have planned the largest, and set for themselves the highest Standard of Excellence, of any year of their history. But with the women of every state and of every Association in every state in line, having adopted as they have, that inspiring motto, "Have Faith in God," there will be recorded in the great Annual of heaven the greatest year's achievements in their history.

Now in the language of that great missionary of old, I would insist that we "Help those women."

At the last Woman's Union of our Association, which met at Mt. Holly, there were twenty Societies represented. Their contributions for the year amounted to $1,565.64.

Taking as their watchword for the new year, "Larger Service," they enter upon the new year resolving to make an increase of at least ten per cent in their offerings for the various objects of our Convention.

Respectfully Submitted.
S. W. BENNETT.

The report was discussed by S. W. Bennett, and adopted.

Mrs. J. D. Harte, representative of the Woman's work, being present, was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The Moderator called I. T. Newton to the chair and as Secretary and Treasurer of South Fork Institute, read the following:

SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE

As follows, find a financial statement.

Receipts

1914.	Cash on hand		$17.45
1915.	From Brookford Baptist church	$2.50	
June 24.	From Brookford Baptist church	9.50	12.00
1915.	Oct. 26. From Olivet Baptist church		2.00
	Total		$31.45

Disbursements

1915.

March. Paid to W. B. Gaither, Attorney	$ 2.00
May 15. Paid to M. A. Adams,	5.00
June 16. Paid to Merchants and Farmers Bank	4.53
Balance	19.92
Oct. 26	$31.45

Balance, cash on hand $19.92

Liabilities

Note to Dr. T. U. Long	$500.00
Note to Shuford National Bank, Newton	282.85
Note to Cloninger	200.00
Note to First National Bank of Hickory	51.00
Note to Elliott Building Co.	140.80
Note to McClelland and Gaither	232.88
Total	$1407.53

Respectfully Submitted.
OSBORNE BROWN, Sec-Treas.

The report was adopted.

M. A. Adams read the report relative to the school as follows:

REPORT ON SOUTH FORK INSTITUTE

There are three systems of education in operation at the present time in North Carolina.

1. The state was never better organized in her educational work than at the present moment. Her systems include the State Colleges, the High Schools, the Farm Life Schools and the Public Schools. These all have the advantage of a permanent income from taxation, and they are pressing their work with amazing vigour and strenuousity.

2. There is the private school. These are not so numerous as in the past, but they were pioneers in the educational uplift of the State and wherever their influence has been felt it has been for the betterment of the circle in which they moved.

3. Then we have the denominational school that is maintained by the churches composing the constituency that must give the needed support. The Baptists for some years have been fostering a number of these schools. So far their policy has been very indefinite and their support exceedingly uncertain. These schools have been and are still dependent on the will of the churches—more accurately speaking a few individuals of the churches for their support. For only in a few instances have the churches taken vital interest in these schools. No more important work lies before the churches at this time than the fostering these schools that

have been so great a blessing in the past. Let it be understood, that the best that any of these schools can possibly hope to do is to pay their actual operating expenses, after their buildings and equipment are provided and maintained; and in doing this, they are doing as well as any of the schools of any class or kind. The churches of the Catawba River and the South Fork Association have one of these schools under their control—South Fork Institute, located at Maiden. For some time South Fork has been let out to a man, who would assume all responsibility and run it for what he could make. Last year the trustees, obeying the will of the churches, as they interpreted the Mt. Holly resolutions, assumed the direct responsibility of the management, maintainance and operation of South Fork Institute. Let us look at

The Condition

when they thus assumed this responsibility. There was not a dollar with which to start the work, the buildings were in a depleted condition, the equipment and furnishings were run down and a faculty had to be employed. It took some courage to face matters as they were. They immediately set about their task and

The First Step

was to secure a faculty. Prof. P. E. Downs, a B. A. of Wake Forest of the class of 1915 was elected Prin.; Miss Bernice Kelly as hi assistant, Miss Inda Collins for the Primary Department and M. A Adams to teach the Bible. They authorized Prof. Downs to make canvass for the school during the summer months. This was kep up until

The Opening

on August the 23. From the first the attendance was gratifyin The present enrolment is 86 with an attendance of 75 and th prospects good for a goodly number at an early date. The spir of the school is good and the work is progressing well. During th present session it has been necessary to make the

Following Purchases:

Stoves, Black-boards, table ware, table cloths, cooking vessel lamps, buckets, bowls and pitchers, chairs, oil cans, window pane and a few other things. The total cost of these purchases amoun ed to $140.68. The very mallest purchases possible were ma in each and every case . During the vacation

The Boys Dormitory

was repaired and made moderately comfortable. Since schol opened the students have cleaned up the grounds around the gir dormitory and the school building, and the appearance is grea improved.

For the general improvement of the boys and girls there a two

Literary Societies

The boys meet on Friday evening for debate, reading and hold a general business session. The girls' meet on Friday evening and always have a good programe. These societies are invaluable to their training.

The income from

Tuition, Room-rent and Incidental Fees

are the only assets of the school to pay operating expenses. The first month lacked a small amount of paying expenses. The second month had a few dollars to the credit of the school and the present month promises better returns than either of the preceeding months of the present session. A good

Reading Room

has been established out of the fees collected for this purpose. Two daily papers, a number of weeklies, a number of leading magazines are to be found on the table of our reading room. The students are planning to raise funds for a library at an early date. We hope that these additions will prove highly beneficial to the student body.

The Boarding Department

is directed by Mrs. W. B. Daughtry. We were most fortunate in securing her for this position. The board is furnished at actual cost. At the end of each month the cost of the board is devided equally among the students and each one pays their proportional part. Our board last month cost $6.65. The board is plentiful, wholesome and well prepared and the student body is satisfied with it.

The trustees have it in mind

To Make a Strong Attempt

to liquidate the present debt and greatly improve the plant during coming and succeeding years. The school needs the hearty cooperation of the pastors and churches and the patronage of her constituency.

The following suggestions are made:

1. That this Association in cooperating with the Catawba River raise the amount expended for equipment at the present session.
2. That this Association in cooperating with the Catawba river raise a fund each year adequate to pay the tuition of the young brethren who are preparing for the ministry.
3. That a column be provided in the minutes for contributions South Fork.
4. That each church be requested to take a contribution once year for maintainance of a Bible Department at South Fork.

Respectfully Submitted.

The report was discussed by M. A. Adams. Cash and pledges

were taken amounting to $150.00 to pay for incidentals.

The report was adopted.

By motion, the Association adjourned until 9:30 tomorro morning. Prayer by J. S. Connell.

FRIDAY MORNING

The devotional services were conducted by J. A. Hoyle.

Moderator calls the Association to order. Song—"Savior mo than life to me," Prayer by S. W. Bennett.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

M. A. Adams made a motion that R. G. Mace be appointed prepare a digest of letters for next session, and that the than of the Association be expressed to our Moderator for the statistic charts which he donated to the Association.

The motion was put by M. A. Adams and carried by a risi vote.

J. S. Connell read the following:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved, that we, the delegates and visitors of South Fo Association in session assembled, desire to express our sincere a preciation to the brethren and friends of West Hickory Bapti church for their kind and generous hospitality shown us duri our pleasant stay in their midst.

And we furthermore acknowledge with thanks the cordial i vitation to go through and inspect the magnificent plant and c serve the splendid, modern equipment of the Piedmont Wag Company.

We also desire to express to the managers and editor of t Hickory Daily Record our appreciation for the liberal and exc lent manner in which they have reported this session of our as ciation.

We shall ever remember with fondness all these kindness and pray God's richest benedictions to rest upon this church a community.

J. S. CONNEL

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

By motion, it was ordered that of all the undesignated mor raised for education in our Association, three-fourths of the amo be sent to South Fork Institute and one-fourth to the gene board.

J. O. Allen, treasurer read his report, audited by the commit as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the South Fork Baptist Association, greetings:

I, J. O. Allen, treasurer of said Association, beg leave to s mit my annual report as folows:

Receipts.

914.

ct. 20. To amount received from Finance Committee as follows:

To minute fund	
o State Missions	$55.30
o Foreign Missions	9.14
o Home Missions	7.00
o Orphanage	3.15
rom Faith Church:	1.00
oreign Missions	
ate Missions	1.55
t. 26. From Salem church:	150
inute Fund	
ng Creek church, Minute Fund	.41
. Gastonia church, Minute Fund	3.00
	3.00
Total Receipts	$83.05

Disbursements

t. 26. By checks, Waters Durham:

reign Missions	
me Missions	$8.55
te Missions	3.15
F. Click, checks:	16.64
rk Association	
nting Minutes	15.00
H. Averitt, Orphanage	44.71
	1.00
Total Disbursements	$83.05

Respectfully submitted, this Oct. 27th, 1915.

J. O. ALLEN, Treas.

We have audited the above report and find it correct.

A. M. HARRELL,
W. W. ERVIN,
Auditing Committee.

The report was received.

J. D. Harte read the following:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

It is but a commonplace to say that this is one of the great
s in the religious life of the South—greater than the days of
and reconstruction, greater than the great days of prosperity
have been on us these many years. Hitherto, the problem of
e Missions has had to deal with the unsaved of our own land
ace. Now the unsaved of all races of the earth are either
or will be here presently.

f Christian thinkers and statesmen are not vastly mistaken,
eriod following the war will thrust upon the South conditions
bligations of which we have never before demanded. The

family ties of millions are being severed in Europe for all tim
Those who survive this war will have to begin life all over agai
And in the process of readjustment, millions of those people are g
ing to seek a new home in our country where they hope to esca
the scourge of war. We are hoping that the bulk of the new fo
eign population may, in some respects, be more desirable as ci
zens than multitudes of those who have come in former years. Ho
ever industrious and thrifty they may be, they are going to crea
in the sections in which they settle a religious question we ha
never had to face in the South. The new people coming are g
ing to be Roman Catholics, and so the whole social and educatio
and religious status of the Old South, and of the
cent New South, will be challenged. The type of the n
immigrant soon to drift in is likely to assert his religious le
more than those now with us. The great West and North W
and the South must count on a large percentage of the new popu
tion settling in those sections.

Hence, to preserve ourselves—our ideas, our Sabbaths,
schools, all that is dear to us, as Protestant people, we must m
these people and teach them our gospel. The only word now
the political life of the nation is "Preparedness," which means t
the country is likely to be attacked by some foreign power, a
therefore, the country should be put in a state of readiness to m
any condition, by fortifying our coasts, by enlarging the army
the navy to immense proportions.

If the fear of invasion of other nations is even a remote pro
bility, it would seem wise to provide against such a calamity.
tain it is that no lover of our Lord Jesus Christ can have any q
tion as to the importance of anticipation of invasion by vast mu
tudes who are coming here to buy land and live. The only gen
agency the Baptists of the South to meet and solve these g
questions is the Home Mission Board at Atlanta.

This report is not burdened with the statistics of the work
finances of this Board. The simple point of the report is to
press in the most emphatic manner our opportunity and obliga
to the noble work of the Board, by our gifts, by our services an
our prayers. The work at the present time is of immense pro
tions, and yet the call for enlargement can not go unheede
the New South is to continue to be the final home for orth
Christianity.

J. D. HART

The report was discussed by J. D. Harte and J. B. Pruit
Report was adopted.

By request the Clerk read the following:

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

The churches of the State gave $5,008.52 to this object
year. Of this amount twenty-six churches of the South Fork

sociation gave $133.83, thirty of our churches being placed in the attitude of saying "be ye warmed and filled" though they have not given" those things which are needful to the body." (Jas. 2:16.)

It can not be denied that the denomination's contributions to this object have not been as liberal as the cause justly deserves. Many of our churches take no collections for this object, and we are constrained to believe are not interested because they are not informed. Your committee urges, therefore, that pastors arrange for a Christmas offering to this object in all their churches.

Of the amount contributed to this object a per cent is retained as a permanent fund and invested. There is a new sentiment among some of our people that the time has come when this permanent fund should be used in providing home for these aged brethren, their wives and widows, where they can be cared for in a way benefitting a great denomination. The approaching State Convention at Charlotte is to be called upon to take action in this matter, and your committee recommends that this Association approve serious consideration of this important proposition by the Convention before taking action in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. W. SETZER.

J. D. Harte offered an amendment to the report.

The report was adopted as amended.

The Moderator appointed the following to write

REPORTS FOR THE NEXT SESSION

Foreign Missions—M. A. Adams.
State Missions—E. C. Andrews.
Home Missions—I. T. Newton.
Woman's Work—J. D. Harte.
B. Y. P. U.—J. S. Connell.
Orphanage—A. W. Setzer.
Sunday Schools—S. W. Bennett.
Biblical Recorder—J. J. Beach.
Education—W. C. Barrett.
Ministers Relief—G. P. Abernethy.
Obituaries—J. A. Hoyle.
Digest of Church Letters—R. G. Mace.

There being no further business, it was moved and carried that the Association adjourn.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

After song, "Bless be the tie that binds," the Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet in its next annual session with East Gastonia church on Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in Oct. 1916, at 11 o'clock. Prayer by J. A. Hoyle.

OSBORNE BROWN, Moderator.
J. F. CLICK, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be known as the South Fork Asso ciation.

2. Its object shall be to educate men called of God to th ministry and approved of the church to which they belong; to sup port the Gospel in destitute sections within its bounds; to assis Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable homes of worship; t encourage the study of the Bible in the Sunday Schools, and to co operate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and th Southern Baptist Convention in all departments.

3. It shall be composed of delegates annually elected by thei respective churches, and pastors who have churches within ou bounds, each church being entitled to two delegates and one fo every fifty members, no church having more than five.

4. Its officers shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk an Treasurer, who shall be elected annually as the Association sha determine.

5. The Executive Committee shall consist of ten member three from each section of the Association and the Moderator b virtue of his office. Nine members shall be elected at this sessio one from each section of the Association to serve one year, or from each section for two years, one from each section for thr years. All persons elected after this session shall serve for thr years. The Moderator shall appoint on the first day of each sessi a Committee of three who shall nominate the members of t Executive Committee to be elected. The Executive Committee sh have supervision of all work of the Association between sessio and shall report annually to the Association.

6. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thir of the members present on the first or second day of the Assoc tion.

7. This Association shall meet annually on Wednesday aft the fourth Sunday in October at 11 A. M. The annual sermon be preached at such time as each session shall determine.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. The delegates shall be called each day previous to proce ing to business.

3. The hour for business shall be—Meet at 9:30 A. M., journ at pleasure unless otherwise ordered.

4. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, but may d ignate some one to take his place, if he wishes to vacate the ch

5. The presiding officer shall enforce order in accordance w "Mell's Parliamentory Practice."

6. The Clerk shall keep a record of all the proceedings of Association, and superintend the printing of the minutes.

NAME OF CHURCHES	Gain			Loss					
	Baptisms	Letters	Restoration	By Letter	By Exclus	By Death	Males	Females	Membership
exis	1	5		4			53	56	109
nity		6		2			34	36	70
lmont	22	10	3	14		1	82	136	218
thel	4	2		2		1	30	51	81
ookford	4	5	4	19	1	2	32	82	114
uington	12	4	1	1		3	47	53	100
tawba	9	3		4			29	48	77
dar Grove	10			5			31	47	78
nter View	2	2					14	18	32
rinth	16	1			4	1	53	83	136
llas	5	17	2	4			64	86	150
nver	2	4					12	22	34
st Belmont	22	24		4			35	55	90
st Gastonia	28	37		15	32	5	147	226	371
ith		1		7			15	13	28
stonia, First	10	35	1	28		3	155	238	393
bron	15	10	2	4		2	42	59	101
ckory, First	15	38	2	10		3	115	191	306
ckory Grove	3			9	1	1	80	82	162
ghland	19	2		4		2	35	61	96
gh Shoals	21	7		19			48	89	137
ld's Chapel	7		1	2		1	27	49	76
wing's Chapel	18	2		7	4		65	79	144
nard's Fork	3	5				1	39	57	96
colnton Ave.	37	13		6	2	2	65	86	151
colnton, First	8	17	4	12	2	1	103	130	233
g Creek	10	6	1	15	4	1	99	188	287
g Shoals	3	2				2	19	31	50
ay	25	28	6	21	5		94	170	264
ell	21	9	3	4		3	52	70	122
ia	14	4	3	4	1		22	28	50
cedonia	19	8	1	28	7	2	82	109	191
den	28	9		1	3		70	78	148
worth	6	20					18	18	36
Adenville	44	9	7	16	4	4	132	167	299
. Grove	1	1		5			34	38	72
Holly	35	23	2	3	1	2	104	139	243
Ruhama	5	2		17	2	1	92	119	211
. View	16	1	1	3	4	1	30	45	75
Zion		1	2	5		1	68	93	161
rton	7	10	17	27	5	2	67	93	160
et	25	8		3	1	1	99	143	242
elope				11	2		21	23	44
y Grove	15		1	6			29	45	74
idence Second	6		2	3	4	3	25	54	79
sville							17	25	42
r View	2	11		12	8	1	46	76	122
m	9	3		8			46	75	121
y Plains		2		16		1	63	75	138
on	1	1		3		1	30	43	73
cer Mtn.	6	2	3	5	1	1	31	51	82
town	1					1	5	10	15
salonica							7	14	21
asege							32	55	87
ick's	10			4		1	23	60	83
's Chapel				1			14	18	32
Hickory	8	16	1	41	12	1	95	183	278
Totals	610	430	70	444	110	59	3016	4469	7485

Note—Letters show a gain of 497 members.

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Totals
Alexis	74.00	45.00	2.00	16.70	-----	1.10	------	138
Amity	40.00	------	------	3.00	-----	.50	------	43
Belmont	400.00	3.15	161.17	55.97	-----	2.00	4.60	626
Bethel	75.00	------	8.95	6.00	-----	.90	------	90
Brookford	150.00	10.00	20.45	39.41	-----	.60	2.00	222
Bruington	130.00	65.00	12.00	25.00	1.60	1.20	39.00	273
Catawba	125.00	------	3.00	5.65	-----	.65	37.61	171
Cedar Grove	100.00	------	12.50	8.58	-----	1.00	17.00	139
Center View	------	------	9.00	.68	-----	.80	------	10
Corinth	100.00	150.00	5.00	6.00	1.65	1.00	15.00	278
Dallas	500.00	1367.82	34.25	51.19	-----	2.00	82.45	2037
Denver	75.00	------	20.00	14.80	-----	.50	------	110
East Belmont	75.00	1353.34	65.00	55.59	-----	1.90	245.00	1796
East Gastonia	1300.00	781.32	107.60	78.00	84.32	2.00	122.00	2475
Faith	50.00	------	9.50	------	-----	----	------	59
Gastonia, First	2100.00	------	269.39	256.93	34.24	3.00	506.61	3170
Hebron	144.55	------	6.61	99.98	-----	.80	33.71	285
Hickory, First	1560.00	700.00	552.58	161.90	80.00	5.00	200.00	3259
Hickory Grove	130.40	------	15.26	12.18	-----	.70	------	158
Highland	225.00	233.58	7.88	29.38	5.00	.80	5.00	506
High Shoals	173.42	464.48	60.00	70.25	-----	2.30	65.42	835
Kidd's Chapel	80.00	5.50	21.75	5.50	-----	.55	------	113
Lawing's Chapel	105.15	10.00	.92	15.00	-----	1.00	15.46	147
Leonard's Fork	100.00	------	22.00	2.50	4.00	1.00	------	129
Lincolnton Ave.	175.00	100.00	8.00	69.88	5.00	1.10	75.00	433
Lincolnton, First	1000.00	215.00	216.00	105.83.	28.00	2.50	17.75	1585
Long Creek	325.00	37.00	26.99	83.89	-----	2.60	144.86	620
Long Shoals	75.00	------	------	------	1.50	1.00	------	77
Loray	778.75	115.25	100.00	159.71	5.48	1.40	232.35	1392
Lowell	165.00	------	19.93	91.65	13.46	1.00	11.00	302
Lucia	50.00	------	50.00	------	-----	.60	------	100
Macedonia	140.50	------	------	7.74	6.69	1.00	41.15	197
Maiden	100.00	140.00	24.65	41.80	-----	1.50	30.11	338
Mayworth	31.50	------	------	10.00	-----	----	------	41
McAdenville	256.11	1130.90	28.45	70.92	-----	1.20	93.17	1580
Mtn. Grove	100.00	------	14.00	15.60	-----	1.00	------	130
Mt. Holly	800.00	------	153.37	------	7.77	3.00	42.10	1006
Mt. Ruhama	119.74	------	------	------	-----	1.50	------	121
Mtn. View	50.00	------	------	19.67	8.28	.75	------	78
Mt. Zion	125.00	110.00	20.00	4.49	-----	----	------	259
Newton	500.00	1250.80	146.98	51.35	6.88	3.00	36.00	1994
Olivet	450.00	150.00	8.00	83.89	2.47	2.00	------	696
Penelope	100.00	------	7.00	27.00	3.00	.10	------	137
Piney Grove	75.00	------	20.50	4.23	-----	.95	------	100
Providense	75.00	------	------	4.00	-----	1.00	14.20	94
River View	138.25	------	37.24	26.41	-----	1.60	57.73	261
Salem	87.00	------	5.00	10.00	-----	.45	------	102
Sandy Plains	200.00	------	16.05	18.84	-----	2.10	25.00	261
Sharon	75.00	------	12.01	3.00	-----	.60	------	90
Spencer Mtn.	152.00	------	------	53.77	10.00	1.00	17.75	234
Startown	100.00	------	------	------	-----	.50	------	100
Thessalonica	------	------	------	------	-----	.65	------	65
Warlick's	------	------	25.00	5.00	8.00	.25	5.00	43
Webb's Chapel	36.88	------	------	4.00	-----	----	9.98	50
West Hickory	225.00	400.00	29.75	43.75	20.00	1.50	25.00	745
Total	14318.25	8838.14	2395.73	2036.61	337.34	66.95	2268.92	30261

Note—No report from Reepsville and Tuckasege.

BENEVOLENT OBJECTS

NAME OF URCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday S. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Minister's Relief	Total
exis	4.80	4.25	4.25	7.30	4.50	-----	-----	-----	25.10
nity	1.25	1.00	2.00	----	3.00	-----	-----	-----	7.25
mont	46.01	45.63	56.42	----	45.75	9.61	18.99	-----	222.41
hel	2.00	3.00	2.30	----	-----	-----	-----	1.00	8.30
ookford	14.52	7.15	18.32	3.35	21.78	3.00	-----	-----	68.12
ington	7.25	7.70	7.60	3.00	24.00	-----	-----	-----	49.55
awba	15.75	-----	-----	----	5.00	-----	-----	-----	20.75
lar Grove	12.85	9.00	3.55	----	2.16	-----	-----	-----	22.56
inth	5.00	3.35	4.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	21.35
las	54.00	24.00	28.00	----	100.00	2.00	4.00	-----	216.00
ver	10.00	3.58	3.58	----	15.00	10.00	-----	-----	42.16
t Belmont	20.00	-----	-----	----	20.00	-----	-----	-----	40.00
t Gastonia	80.50	63.30	73.13	----	118.45	-----	5.00	-----	340.38
h	1.25	-----	2.56	----	1.00	-----	-----	-----	4.81
tonia First	261.18	231.96	471.19	22.37	310.69	317.50	80.23	35.64	1830.76
ron	9.60	6.51	-----	----	3.08	-----	-----	-----	19.19
kory First	312.32	115.18	299.80	----	156.65	150.00	12.49	21.45	1067.89
kory Grove	20.00	20.50	-----	----	5.00	-----	6.05	4.50	56.05
hland	23.45	8.60	8.00	----	8.10	-----	-----	-----	48.15
h Shoals	20.00	20.00	15.00	5.00	11.00	12.00	2.50	2.50	88.00
l's Chapel	3.50	1.00	1.20	----	13.30	-----	-----	-----	19.00
n's Chapel	-----	7.00	7.35	11.85	2.25	-----	-----	-----	28.45
nard's Fk.	7.75	5.00	5.00	----	5.00	-----	-----	5.00	27.75
olnton Ave.	6.00	3.00	5.00	----	3.00	-----	-----	2.00	19.00
oln. 1st.	60.80	59.25	65.61	----	205.75	49.83	-----	-----	441.24
Creek	32.28	6.73	5.00	11.60	45.17	-----	3.00	3.00	106.78
Shoals	8.00	4.00	4.00	----	-----	-----	-----	-----	16.00
y	19.03	33.87	38.68	----	44.52	7.55	-----	-----	143.65
ell	26.80	-----	5.24	----	25.18	-----	4.13	-----	61.35
a	-----	-----	3.50	----	3.75	-----	-----	-----	7.25
edonia	5.00	2.00	5.00	----	8.48	-----	-----	2.20	22.68
en	23.29	4.11	8.31	----	19.44	-----	-----	1.75	56.90
denville	35.45	20.00	28.37	.50	1.00	-----	5.70	-----	90.92
Grove	15.92	7.40	6.53	----	7.46	-----	3.16	1.96	42.43
Holly	75.10	18.11	18.10	2.00	5.00	7.00	5.00	5.00	135.31
Rhuma	30.00	7.00	7.00	----	7.41	-----	-----	-----	51.41
View	3.00	-----	-----	----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.00
Zion	5.00	15.00	15.00	----	45.03	-----	-----	-----	80.03
on	48.12	44.50	33.25	----	60.00	-----	-----	-----	185.87
t	25.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	28.55	19.65	2.00	7.70	117.90
ope	14.98	4.34	6.00	----	3.45	-----	-----	-----	28.77
Grove	5.36	2.00	2.00	1.00	2.06	-----	-----	1.00	13.42
dence	4.62	3.20	3.50	----	3.75	-----	-----	1.00	16.07
View	13.64	11.68	2.36	----	49.42	-----	9.33	2.63	89.06
	6.00	4.00	2.20	1.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	13.20
Plains	20.10	9.60	12.20	----	21.61	-----	-----	2.50	66.02
n	7.66	2.03	1.52	----	3.01	-----	1.77	-----	15.99
er Mtn.	21.72	7.52	13.02	----	10.52	-----	7.00	-----	59.78
wn	10.00	5.00	5.00	----	3.00	-----	-----	-----	23.00
alonica	2.00	.75	.63	----	2.00	-----	1.35	.68	7.41
ck's	1.00	-----	.50	----	2.00	-----	-----	-----	3.50
s Chapel	1.57	1.21	.99	----	1.18	-----	-----	-----	4.95
Hickory	20.74	7.55	4.45	----	7.55	25.00	-----	-----	65.29
Totals	1481.16	886.56	1331.21	74.97	1500.00	614.14	172.70	102.51	6163.25

ote—No report from Center View, Mayworth, Reepsville and Tuckasege.

CHURCHES	When Organized	PASTORS	Seating Capacity	Value of Church Property	Sundays of Preaching	Church Clerk
Alexis	1903	W. B. McLure	350	$ 1500	2nd and 4th	C. W. Abernethy
Amity	1905	R. L. Williams	300	750	2nd 2 p. m.	J. S. McAlister
Belmont	1874	L. M. Hobbs	300	10000	2nd and 4th	Oscar Armstro
Bethel	1895	J. A. Hoyle	500	500	1st Sunday	W. C. Mullen, L
Brookford	1907	W. N. Cook	300	1800	2nd and 4th	Albert Edwards
Brumgton	185	G. P. Abernethy	400	1200	4th Sunday	A. C. Taylor,
Catawba	1875	J. S. Connell	500	3000	1st Sunday	D. L. Wike, Ca
Cedar Grove	1912	M. A. Adams	300	500	4th Sunday	Clyde Michael,
Center View	1915	L. R. Williams	200	500	3rd Sunday	J. F. Hovis, Ma
Corinth	1855	C. A. Rhyne	500	800	3rd Sunday	G. W. Hood, R
Dallas	1877	I. T. Newton	800	10000	2nd and 4th	J. R. Lewis, D
Denver	1914	M. A. Adams			3rd Sunday	H. N. Abernet
East Belmont	1912	Walter E. Wilson	600	1625	2nd Sunday	C. E. Houser,
East Gastonia	1901	J. J. Beach	600	9000	Ev. Sunday	M. T. Saunder
Faith	1906	W. B. McClure	300	1200	2nd Sunday	R. E. Ballard,
Gastonia First	1884	W. C. Barrett	60	25000	Ev. Sunday	. M. Shuford,
Hebron	1883	J. D. Moose	250	1000	1st Sunday	W. L. Beach, M
Hickory First	1870	J. D. Harte	1000	25000	Ev. Sunday	J. R. Hosley, H
Hickory Grove	1873	Walter E. Wilson	40	2000	4th Sunday	J. F. Abernethy
Highland	1912	W. N. Cook	350	270	nd and 4th	W. T. Harris,
High Shoals	1902	G. P. Abernethy	450	2000	2nd Sunday	Robie Potts, H
Kidd's Chapel	1872	M. A. Adams	300	1000	3rd Sunday	W. A. Pool, I
Lawing's Chapel	1907	W. W. Rimmer	500	1200	3rd Sunday	D. E. Lawnin
Leonard's Fork	1882	J. A. Hoyle	300	800	2nd Sunday	W. H. Hoover,
Lincolnton Ave.	1911	W. W. Rimmer	300	700	4th Sunday	J. A. Armstro
Lincolnton First	1859	S. W. Bennett	300	10000	Ev. Sunday	W. L. Mustian
Long Creek	1772	G. P. Abernethy	500	2000	1st and 3rd	A. R. Holland,
Long Shoals		B. E. Morris	300	800	4th Sunday	R. B. Gates, I
Loray	1905	G. P. Abernethy	700	7000	Ev. Sunday	W. A. Smith, C
Lowell	1892	I. T. Newton	400	1500	1st Sunday	Jake Hendrix,
Lucia	1903	W. B. McClure	300	1200	1st Sunday	U. B. Intosh,
Maccedonia	1869	W. W. Rimmer	400	1000	1st Sunday	W. W. Lawin
Maiden	1891	L. R. Williams	400	1500	1st and 3rd	H. B. Chronis
Mayworth	1910	Walter E. Wilson				R. N. Nuttall,
McAdenville	1887	Walter E. Wilson	400	2500	1st and 3rd	Labe Aberneth
Mt. Grove	1881	A. W. Setzer	400	1500	4th Sunday	G. F. Huffma
Mt. Holly	1890	E. C. Andrews	600	2700	Ev. Sunday	W. L. Bumgar
Mt. Ruhama	1816	W. W. Rimmer	400	1500	2nd Sunday	Tate H. Caldw
Mtn. View	185	L. R. Williams	350	800	2nd and 4th	M. O. Gillelan
Mt Zion	186	R. G. Mace	300	1200	3rd Sunday	L. A. McClure
Newton	1882	M. A. Adams	800	13000	Ev. Sunday	Elliott Stewa
Olivet	188	J. S. Connell	400	3000	2nd and 4th	J. T. Ervin, C
Penelope	1888	A. W. Setzer	300	1200	1st. Sunday	Lemuel Yoder
Piney Grove	1904	M. A. Adams	400	600	1st. Sunday	Lee Setzer, N
Providence	1878	S. A. Stroup	300	500	2nd Sunday	R. L. Asherbr
Reepsville	1899		250	500	3rd Sunday	Lena Wether
River View	1897	I. T. Newton	300	850	3rd Sunday	L. F. Caldwe
Salem	1847	B. E. Morris	400	600	4th Sunday	C. F. Clanto
Sandy Plains	1863	J. J. Beach	400	600	2nd and 4th	N. A. Jenkins
Sharon	1854	A. W. Setzer	500	500	2nd Sunday	L. A. Abernet
Spencer Mtn.	1909	I. T. Newton	200	500	3rd Sunday	John Cloning
Startown	1896	M. A. Adams	300	600	4th Sunday	J. Y. Killian.
Thessalonica	1830	A. W. Setzer	300	200	4th Sunday	W. P. Rhone
Tuckasege	1911	L. M. Hobbs	300	1500	1st and 3rd	J. W. Miller,
Warlick's	1875	O. A. Abee	500	1500	1st Sunday	A. J. Cooke,
Webb's Chapel	1892	C. E. Rhyne	200	400	1st Sunday	F. B. Carpen
West Hickory	1907	W. N. Cook	400	2500	1st and 3rd	J. R. Pierce.

Note—Church clerks should correct the dates, numbers and values in th

URCHES	Superintendents and Post Office	N. Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Av. Mem in S. S.	Mo Kp. Op.	Bap. from School
----------	W. F. Huggins, Alexis	1	9	90	99	----	12	---
----------	S. L. Bolinger, Lincolnton, R-3	1	5	40	45	----	6	---
nt ----------	W. J. Francis, Belmont	1	9	163	172	70	12	22
.....	G. A. Bolick, Lincolnton	1	7	55	62	----	8	1
ford ----------	C. P. Edwards, Hickory	1	9	150	159	60	12	3
gton ----------	J. P. Calloway, Stanley	1	8	64	72	45	12	8
ba ----------	H. M. Croom, Catawba	1	6	44	50	----	12	4
Grove -------	John Beard, Newton, R-3	1	7	55	62	38	12	9
View -------	W. M. Turbyfield, Maiden, R-1	1	7	75	82	----	12	---
h ----------	R. P. Havner, Henry	1	7	53	60	40	6	10
----------	P. D. Summey, Dallas	1	10	119	129	62	12	---
r ----------	Tull Bolick, Denver	1	9	93	102	21	12	---
Belmont -----	D. B. Truitt, Belmont	1	8	212	220	45	12	9
astonia -----	C. B. Newton, Gastonia	1	11	450	461	225	12	25
ia First -----	W. J. Clifford, Gastonia	2	25	395	420	----	12	---
----------	T. H. Roberts, Mt. Holly	1	7	75	82	43	12	8
y First -----	J. D. Elliott. Hickory	1	16	330	346	200	12	15
v Grove.....	J. W. Rankin, McAdenville	1	9	94	103	70	12	3
nd ----------	W. S. Robinson, Hickory	1	9	160	169	40	12	10
hoals ------	M. C. Dellinger, High Shoals	1	9	160	169	85	12	21
Chapel -----	W. A. Poole, Iron Station	1	6	60	66	31	12	6
's Chapel.....	T. A. Huitt, Lincolnton	1	10	95	105	----	12	8
l's Fork ----	W. A. Jenkins, Reepsville, R-2	1	5	35	40	----	6	1
ton Ave. ---	T. L. Caldwell, Lincolnton	1	8	218	226	75	12	25
con, First --	T. O. Allen, Lincolnton	1	10	130	140	75	12	2
reek -------	W. S. Robinson, Dallas	1	8	100	108	75	12	7
----------	T. R. Brown, Gastonia, Sta. 2	1	14	313	327	73	12	3
----------	L. G. Summey, Lowell	1	8	120	128	26	12	10
h:a ---------	Meade Ewing, Lincolnton	1	9	84	93	40	12	1
----------	M. J. Harris, Maiden	1	11	175	186	109	12	20
th ---------	T. U. Morris, Mayworth	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
v-ile -------	Mabel Abernethy, McAdenville	1	12	388	400	----	12	39
ve ---------	J. S. Eckard, Hickory, R-1	1	6	54	60	----	12	1
ly ---------	O. L. Hoffman, Mt. Holly	1	9	164	173	120	12	13
ama -------	M. C. Laney, Maiden, R-1	1	11	113	124	78	12	2
ew ---------	E. Litten, Maiden, R-1	1	10	124	134	48	9	12
----------	J. H. McClure, Alexis	1	6	51	57	29	8	---
----------	S. T. Gaddy, Newton	1	14	136	150	----	12	3
----------	Osborne Brown, Long Island	1	14	138	152	----	12	19
ove ---------	F. A. Lock, Hickory R-4	1	3	35	38	----	12	---
ce ---------	Lee Setzer, Newton R-2	1	6	60	66	----	12	11
ew ---------	Joel Huffman, Renry, R. F. D.	1	5	60	65	25	12	4
----------	A. L. Cline, Southside	1	5	75	80	----	12	2
ains -------	C F. Clanton, Lincolnton	1	5	45	50	25	9	5
----------	D. B. Harwell, Lowell, R-1	1	10	70	80	50	12	---
tn. --------	L. A. Abernethy, Iron Station	1	5	40	45	30	9	---
----------	J. W. Wilkins, Lowell	1	9	164	173	32	12	6
hapel ------	W. L. Finger, Connelly Springs	1	6	53	59	----	---	3
----------	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton	1	5	35	40	12	9	---
----------	R. M. Perry, Hickory	1	12	166	178	----	12	5
	Total	50	429	6178	6607	1997	---	356

No report from Long Shoals, Lucia, Reepsville, Startown, Faith, Tucka-Thessalonica—Clerk.